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## Togo About To Strike

### Czar Has Been Informed of Japanese Transports Ready For Landing.

### Port Arthur Will Be Bombarded in Order to Hold the Garrison.

### Tokio's Latest Celebration Is Now Said to Have Been Premature.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—With Vice-Admiral Togo hovering in the immediate vicinity of Port Arthur and transports loaded with troops lying at Pitsewo, northeast of that stronghold, Russia has braced herself for impending conflicts with the foe, when she will again play a defensive role, this time, it is hoped, with better success, and, therefore, with less sacrifice of life than the engagements on the Yalu.

The war committee sat until 2 o'clock this morning, and at the close of the session it was announced that there was nothing to communicate to the public. It is known, however, that the Emperor has been informed of the presence of the Japanese fleet off the Liaoshan promontory and the appearance of transports at Pitsewo. The fact that the two events occurred simultaneously may have significance. If a landing should take place at Pitsewo, the experts anticipate that Togo's battleship squadron will bombard Port Arthur in order to prevent the garrison from sending reinforcements by railroad to the troops opposing the Japanese there. Neither the admiralty nor the war office believes that a disembarkation of the Japanese can be stopped, as the guns of the Japanese cruisers could command the point of landing, but after the Japanese are ashore, then the Russians will strike, and officers here say, will strike hard. What force they will be able to bring up to resist the invaders cannot be stated definitely. The strength of the army on the peninsula of Liaotung has been kept a strict secret.

It is expected that the railroad will play an important part in the effort of the Russians to push the Japanese into the sea, as it will permit the rapid transportation of troops.

The general staff has not forgotten that Japanese ships were sighted May 3 off Kaiping and Siniuchen, on the west coast of the Liaotung peninsula, but these two points could be readily covered if necessary from New Chwang. An important advantage would accrue to the Japanese should they succeed in establishing themselves at Pitsewo. From there radiate roads connecting with the railroad at Yangtitsin, directly west to south, with Sanchelipon and Kinchow stations on the railroad nearer Port Arthur, north, with Kaiping and northeast through Takushan with Fongwangcheng.

A landing at this moment would make it difficult for General Kuropatkin to concentrate a formidable force against General Kuroki's, whose forward movement is not yet reached. Furthermore, once the Japanese are across the railroad, Port Arthur will be as good as besieged. A member of the general staff says that General Kuropatkin is well aware of these conditions. Even if the Japanese should succeed in cutting the railroad, Port Arthur is now ready to depend on its own resources.

Despatches from Tokio telling of celebrations over the sealing of Port Arthur, it is stated, are premature, official advices establishing beyond question that the attempt of Vice-Admiral Togo, May 3, to seal the fort failed.

The absence of press despatches telling of the fight on the Yalu is partially explained by the heavy mortality among the correspondents. Three of the Novosti's correspondents are missing, and it is believed they were killed, while the Russ lost one of its correspondents. The other journals are wiring to ascertain if their representatives are alive.

WAGON WORKERS' STRIKE.

Newark, N. J., May 5.—The threatened strike among the carriage and wagon workers went into effect here today. About 500 men are out. Six to eight shops are affected. The members of the union first made a demand for 51 hours a week instead of 59, but the manufacturers refused to accede to this. Today the union tendered the employers a modified demand for 54 hours a week, but the employers refuse to treat with the men. A general strike was then ordered. Both sides say it will be a bitter fight.

IDLE CHICAGO WORKERS.

Chicago, May 5.—Following the lockout of the boot and shoe workers in six of the large Chicago shoe factories the manufacturers have notified the officers of the boot and shoe workers' union that the plants will hereafter be run as open shops and the union label will be discontinued. Mason work was shut down on many partly completed buildings throughout the city today by the lockout of limestone and cement teamsters. It is estimated by the employers and union officials that 15,000 to 20,000 workers are out of employment.

METROPOLITAN HANDICAP.

New York, May 5.—The first big event of the racing season in the East came today with the running of the Metropolitan handicap at Morris Park, on the grounds of the West Chester Racing Association. Beautiful weather, a good card of starters and reports that the course was in fine condition, all gave promise of a record crowd. Early in the day it was estimated that no less than 50,000 people would be in the grand stands and crowded about the course. The horses were sent away soon after 4 o'clock. Irish Lad won the Metropolitan handicap; Toboggan second, Beldame third.

OREGON LAND FRAUDS.

Portland, May 5.—The cases of Charles Cunningham, the eastern Oregon sheep king; Glen H. H. Saling, Shelby Jones and Dallas O'Hara, charged with the conspiracy to defraud the United States government of public lands, were brought to an abrupt and unexpected conclusion by pleas of guilty being made when the defendants were arraigned in the United States District court today. Mark Shackelford was the only one to plead not guilty, and his trial was begun later. Cunningham, as the ringleader, was immediately sentenced to pay a fine of $6,000. The others, being considered only tools of Cunningham, were let off with a fine of $100 in each case. None were sentenced to a term of imprisonment.

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE.

London, May 5.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England was unchanged today at 3 per cent.

CANADIAN RECIPROCITY.

Boston, May 5.—A proposition to memorialize congress in behalf of Canadian reciprocity was defeated today in the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

THE BOMBARDMENT.

London, May 5.—A Tokio despatch to the Central News states that after the steamers had been sunk at the entrance to Port Arthur harbor, the Japanese fleet bombarded the forts and town on May 3. The bombardment was continued on the morning of May 4th.

BEZOBRAZOFF IS OFF.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—Vice-Admiral Bezobrazoff, who is to command the first division of the Pacific fleet under Vice-Admiral Skrydloff, has left here for Port Arthur. The new Russian battleship Orel, which ran aground on a sand bank in the Neva May 1, was floated. A few of her plates were injured.

ALEXIEFF CONFERS.

Viceroy Leaves Port Arthur to Discuss Situation With Kuropatkin.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—Viceroy Alexieff has left Port Arthur to confer with General Kuropatkin at Liaoyang, to which place the general will return immediately after an inspection of the troops at Fengwangcheng. Rear-Admiral Wittshef, chief of staff to Viceroy Alexieff, has been left in charge of the naval forces at Port Arthur.

## Gen. Kuropatkin Needs More Beds

### Requests That Two Thousand More be Supplied for The Front.

### Great Apprehension Displayed at China's Probable Course.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—Gen. Kuropatkin has requested the Russian Red Cross Society to supply 2,000 more beds for the hospitals at the front.

The effect of the disaster to the Russian army on the Yalu upon the Chinese is being watched with keen interest and considerable apprehension. The Russian government appears to be satisfied with the situation for the moment, and Paul Lessar, the Russian minister at Pekin, is making daily reports to the foreign office. The report received from the minister today contained nothing disquieting. The Pekin government, according to Russian reports, seems to be acting in perfect good faith and insists that it is intent upon preserving neutrality. It is turning a deaf ear to the appeals of anti-Russian leaders, who want China to throw in her lot with the Japanese, and is doing all things possible to suppress the anti-foreign agitation among the people.

Nevertheless the Russian authorities treat China as a powder magazine. They realize the danger inherent in the situation and the necessity for constant pressure on the Pekin government.

The danger of an anti-foreign movement throughout the Chinese empire exists not only for Russia, but for all the powers, and Russia has at least three times since the outbreak of the war addressed the powers on the subject, the last time being less than ten days ago. The answers received uniformaly show a full appreciation of the need of exercising a restraining influence on Pekin, and all the powers are co-operating to this end.

Japanese is anxiously inquiring through the United States government as to the fate of the Japanese captured by Vice-Admiral Makaroff's ships during their raid near the Miaotao islands, the men being held as prisoners, as the steamer which was sunk by the Russians had on board guns, mines and a wireless telegraph outfit.

Regulations for a prisoner's bureau drawn up by a special committee of the foreign office under the presidency of Professor De Maartens, recently president of the Hague court, which decided the pious fund claims, are practically finished and it is expected they wil be promulgated within two days. Complete information regarding all Japanese prisoners will be available through this bureau and communication with the friends of the prisoners at home will be arranged.

It is believed that a reciprocal arrangement will be perfected by which each belligerent power will furnish the other with a general report on the number and condition of the prisoners at stated inervals, probably fortnightly the reports to be made through the French legation at Tokio and the United States embassy at St. Petersburg.

## ITALIAN DEPUTIES CREATE A SCENE

### Recent Visit of President Loubet the Excuse For a Little Disorder.

Rome, May 5.—There was a lively scene in the Chamber of Deputies today when Deputy Mirabelli (Republican), proposed that greetings should be sent to President Loubet in the name of the Italian democracy. The president, interrupting, said: "A greeting should be sent to France in the name of the Italian parliament."

Deputy Santini cried, "Remember Mentana," alluding to where the French defeated Garibaldi, November 3, 1867, to maintain the temporal power of the Pope.

Signor Mirabelli retorted: "I listened to your panegyric after the German Emperor's visit, now be silent."

Signor Mirabelli continued: "Don't change a national demonstration into a party demonstration. I speak in the name of the Republicans."

The chamber broke into applause, which the president quieted. Premier Giolitti disapproved an attempt to have a national demonstration benefit a party, which, he said, represented the smallest portion of the Italian people. Signor Mirabelli exclaimed: "You deny history. You knelt before the French empire, and now you kneel before the republic."

Amid violent protests the premier closed the incident.

## Japanese Dispositions

### Plan of Sunday's Struggle on the Yalu as Japs Carried it Out.

### Surprise Expressed That the Russians Failed to Stop Advance.

### Tokio Believes Kuropatkin's Losses Are Greater Than Reported.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

Tokio, May 6.—Great surprise is expressed throughout Japan at the failure of the Russians to oppose the crossing of the Japanese at Sukuchin, where the right bank of the Yalu commands the left bank, and also at the failure to attempt to check the advance of the Twelfth division through the hilly district between the Ai and Yalu rivers. It is also openly asserted by the Japanese officers that despite the optimistic accounts from the Russian sources the Russians did not make a stout defence of their entrenchments at the river. It appears that the efficiency of the Cossacks has been greatly impaired by their dividing into small patroling parties of from thirty to forty troops. These small detachments had been instructed to oppose the Twelfth division which was extended over a four mile front. The Cossacks were taken in the rear by the Guards division, which crossed opposite Wiju, and after occupying Kiulengcheng attacked the enemy on their front. It is believed that the Russian casualties were much greater than has as yet appeared.

The Yalu river at Wiju is 7,000 meters wide and is divided into three streams. Of these the central stream alone required bridging, the others being forded waist deep. The Husan and Yulchasan hills command Kiulengcheng and the south bank of the Yalu. The Makau and Yushukan hills command the south bank of the Yalu below Husan and Homutang commands four roads which converge there. The Yalu runs in a single stream at Sukuchin, which is thirteen miles above Wiju. At the beginning of hostilities the position of the Russians was as follows:

Batteries were placed in the heights commanding the Yalu and its tributaries with cavalry patrols at short intervals for miles along the right bank. Strong forces of infantry and artillery were at Antung, Kiuliencheng, Maku and Ushukan. A regiment of mounted infantry with artillery were at Husan and Yulchasan with outposts at Cheunsongdo and opposite Sukuchin, while there was an entrenched rallying point at Homutang.

On April 27th the Japanese Guard division drove the Russians from Husan by a continuous rifle fire delivered from Kulido. Next day the second division crossed to Cheunsongdo and drove the Russians out, their advance being covered by a rapid artillery fire from field guns.

The Twelfth division built a bridge across the river opposite Sukuchin in the face of a combined artillery and infantry fire. At the same time the Guards were building a bridge to Husan. The naval division was then presed into service and with the aid of their guns and several batteries of siege artillery the entire Russian position was shelled. In this way the Russian artillery was silenced.

All being ready for the general advance the Twelfth division crossed the Ai river and stormed the Russian position on the right bank, carrying it at the point of the bayonet and then sweeping around to the northwest of Kiuliencheng. At the same time the Guards division crossed from Husan and advanced direct on Kiuliencheng. The second division followed the Guards and moved south along the Yalu toward Antung. The Russians holding the latter town were attacked with vigor and seeing their line of communications endangered retreated on Homutang, toward which point the defeated Russians were already retreating from the other points. The Russians made their final stand here, but being attacked on three sides their position became untenable and they were finally routed by a dashing bayonet charge.

SMUGGLING HAY.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 5.—Special United States treasury agents, having headquarters in Ogdensburg, who have been investigating entries of hay and other goods paying a specific duty brought in at ports along the northern border, found two thousand cars of hay short of duty amounting to $8,000. The fraud was perpetrated by entering the hay at less than its actual weight. Hay dutiable at $4 per ton was entered as straw, paying $1.50 duty. Straw was put in the car doors to deceive the officers. Shingles and laths are now under investigation.

## EASTERN LIBERALS ON LUMBER DUTY

### Toronto Globe Admits Justice of Claims of B. C. Manufacturers.

Toronto, May 5.—The Globe, commenting on the debate in the Commons yesterday, says:

"While we have a great area of farming land, in which the lumber supply is a serious problem, there will be strong opposition to the levying of duty, but the other demands of the lumber interests are reasonable, and should receive consideration. Puget sound mills have the advantage of 40 cent rate to Manitoba and Territories, while British Columbia mills must pay 50 cents and 55 cents on the Canadian Pacific. If the Canadian line has not sufficient business acumen to make traffic for itself by permitting mills at its terminal to enter this competition, the government, owing to an inherited bargain, is helpless. There is no control of rates, but the other grounds of complaint can be dealt with. Canadian mills must pay from 25 to 30 per cent. duty on machinery and equipment, saws, bits, teeth and other appliances used in the manufacture of rough lumber. While rough lumber, which is the finished product of this machinery, comes in free, mill operators should not be forced to pay duty on machinery which is their raw material. The disabilities should be removed by dessening rather than by increasing obstructions in the lumber trade."

FOR BOTTLING PURPOSES.

Berlin, May 5.—The North German Lloyd Steamship Company in replying to inquiries about the published statement that the company had sold eight steamers to Japan, admits having sold three old coasters to a Japanese firm.

THE COURT RETURNS.

Their Majesties Reach London After Visit to Ireland.

London, May 5.—King Edward, Queen Alexandra and Princess Victoria arrived in London from Ireland shortly after 6 o'clock this evening, and drove to Buckingham palace.

U. S. NATURALIZATION FRAUDS.

New York, May 5.—Judge Adams, in the criminal part of the United States Circuit court, today ordered the deportation to Italy of twenty Italians. The prisoners all pleaded guilty to indictments accusing them of participation in the naturalization frauds in having forged and bogus papers in their possession.

WORKMAN'S AWFUL FATE.

Falls Into Caldron of Molten Metal in Chicago Steel Works.

Chicago, May 5.—Making a misstep while walking on the edge of a vast caldron of boiling metal, Hainey Anderson, an employee of the Illinois Steel Company, at South Chicago, clung for life to the edge today, while his feet burned off. Then his strength gone, he slipped with a shriek into the seething mass below. In a few moments his body was consumed. One of his fellow workmen fainted with horror at the spectacle.

## Viceroy's Departure Looks Ominous

### Supposition That There is Grave Fear of an Immediate Blockade.

### Discrepancy Between Russian and Japanese Accounts of Bottling.

London, May 6.—Viceroy Alexieff's departure from Port Arthur is interpreted here to mean that the place is in imminent danger of isolation and the Japanese preparations for landing are considered as confirming the belief that Port Arthur has been sealed up, probably by two of the sunken ships which Russia "failed to locate." In this connection attention is drawn to the discrepancy between the Russian and the Japanese accounts of the attempts to bottle up the port, the former stating that it occurred about 3 o'clock in the morning, while the latter said it took place in the afternoon. It is suggested that there may have been two separate attempts, each time with ten ships. It will be remembered that it had been previously asserted that Japan prepared twenty vessels for this purpose, and if this explanation is correct, the Russian accounts referring only to the early morning affair may be justified in asserting that it was unsuccessful. It is supposed that the Japanese will make a supreme effort to cut off Port Arthur before the arrival of Vice-Admiral Skrydloff.

According to the Daily Telegraph's Tokio correspondent, today's Jiji Shimpo says: "Our fleet has not returned to its rendezvous, and is still engaged in the execution of a pre-arranged programme. There is reason to believe that the Japanese intend landing their second army at New Chwang upon the successful bottling up of Port Arthur."

The Daily Mail's Paris correspondent hears that Russia has cancelled its contracts for a supply of coal en route to the Far East, which were made with a view to the despatch of the Baltic fleet.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail asserts that the Russian military authorities are in a state of most extreme anxiety regarding the chances of saving the baggage of the Yalu army. The roads are so bad that the transports are able to move only five miles daily, and it is feared that the Japanese will capture all the stores accumulated at Fengwangcheng.

Despatches received from Port Arthur yesterday afternoon, and from New Chwang Wednesday, report no change in the situation, and so far no confirmation has reached London of the Japanese preparations for landing on the coast of Liaotung peninsula.

According to the Daily Telegraph's Shankwan correspondent, M. Pavloff, the Russian minister to Korea, has gone to Pekin for the purpose of endeavoring to induce China to cede to the Russian administration the Chinese railways from Kuropangtse to Sinmintung and Yinkow for military purposes.

## SLOW PROGRESS OF MACEDONIA REFORMS

### Lord Lansdowne Says Situation is Disappointing and May Lead to Trouble.

London, May 5.—In the House of Lords, Earl Spencer, the Liberal leader, raised the question of the situation in Macedonia.

Lord Newton, Conservative, said that the civil agents of the powers up to the present, had made no progress in the application of the reforms decided upon for Macedonia and he suggested calling an international conference on the subject.

Foreign Secretary Landsdowne said he had only too much reason to be disappointed over the progress achieved and that if the rate of progress was not accelerated the powers might be confronted by a situation which would cause grave anxiety. Lord Lansdowne, however, did not approve of the suggestion to call a conference, because should it fail to find a solution of the difficulty, the situation would be worse than before.

KING ALFONSO'S VISIT.

Paris, May 5.—The correspondent of the Temps at Madrid says it has now been decided in principle that King Alfonso will visit Paris, Berlin and Vienna. His Majesty's visit to France is expected to supplement President Loubet's visit to Rome and to strengthen the Franco-Spanish understanding.

## Dominion News Notes

### Ingenious Scheme Adopted By Montreal Get-Rich-Quick Men.

### Narrow Escape of Wholesale Houses in Metropolis' Congested District.

### Refusal to Send Dr. Wilkie to India May Cause Much Trouble.

Montreal, May 5.—Today brought no change in the strike situation. Meetings of strikers were held this morning when the determination to fight the matter out to the end was affirmed. The masters are still of the same opinion that they might as well get out of business as concede the demands of the unions for the closed shop, which is the real issue of the fight.

The trial of a number of men who have been running a policy game here under the name of the Granite Company is taking place. The evidence shows that the company obtained a charter to go into the business of quarrying granite and was empowered to issue stock and also preferred stock. A customer was sold common stock which carried with it the right to share in the disposal free of cost of a certain number of preferred shares of the company. These shares were alloted by a drawing conducted on the same lines as the policy game. It also transpired that the company did not own any granite quarries and had made no attempts to secure any, and that its business consisted solely of the sales of stock and distribution in the way indicated of preferred shares. Those who were fortunate enough to draw preferred shares had no difficulty in disposing of them to "capitalists" anxious to secure them at fixed a price.

It was stated at the Grand Trunk offices here today that the company would organize the surveys of the eastern section of the Grand Trunk Pacific. Just as soon as the measure now before parliament has been passed the company will put men into the field.

Two hundred and fifty men employed by the Consumers' Cordage Company went on strike today. They want an increase of ten per cent in their wages and say they cannot live unless they secure it. The company says that it cannot afford the increase and that pending the filling of the places of the strikers the company's orders will be filled from the Halifax works.

Fire early this morning did damage to the extent of $75,000 to the building and contents belonging to Waldron Drousin & Co., wholesale furriers, St. Paul street. The spot is the worst in Montreal to fight a fire. It is within a stone's throw of the Board of Trade building and in the very heart of the city's business establishments, where eight or ten large fur houses are situated. As the street is narrow it was feared that other buildings would catch, but by hard work the firemen kept the flames confined to the one building.

MONEY LENDER'S SUICIDE.

Strathroy, Ont., May 5.—Edward Zeavilz, a retired farmer and money lender, committed suicide by hanging himself to a beam in his barn yesterday. Melancholy, brought on through recent financial losses, is supposed to have been the cause of the rash act.

YARDMASTER KILLED.

Prescott, Ont., May 5.—William Powell, yardmaster on the Grand Trunk Railway, and an old employee of the company, was run over and killed by an engine yesterday. He leaves a widow, three sons and a daughter.

MISSIONARY TROUBLES.

Toronto, May 5.—The foreign mission committee of the Presbyterian church has decided not to accede to the request of the general assembly committee to send Rev. Dr. Wilkie back to India. It is feared that this action of the committee will divide the church in its contribution to the foreign missions because an independent mission will certainly be formed, which will send out Dr. Wilkie at its own expenses.

WINNIPEG WIRINGS.

Winnipeg, May 5.—It is reported at Medicine Hat that two of the Northwest Mounted police members who escaped from Medicine Hat have been captured in Montana, and will be tried at Regina.

Second Vice President Whyte has left for Montreal with the C. P. R. improvement plans for the city, contracts for which will be let about the middle of the month.

William Boynton was drowned at Eli, Man., fifteen miles west of this city, while fording a coulee on horseback. He came from Ontario recently.

S. W. B. Ganoway was arrested at the depot here yesterady at the instance of W. Cuttle, proprietor of a Fernie hotel, who accused him of theft. His wife, who was with him, secured his release on bail. Ganoway denies the charge.

By a majority of 75 Fort William ratepayers passed a by-law yesterday to spend $25,500 to complete the city hall and fire hall.

The government will string a hundred miles of wire this year, connecting Edmonton and Athabasca, landing by telegraph. Poles and wires are on the ground, having been distributed during the winter. Men are about to start out in force this month. The line will be ready by September.

DAM GIVES WAY.

Brandon, Man., May 5.—The electric light company's dam on Assinaboine river nine miles west of Brandon was washed completely away this morning by a heavy volume of water coming from the highland and flooding the river. The power house has not yet gone, but fears are entertained for its safety.

BRITAIN MAKES DEMAND.

Washington, May 5.—At the American state department today, announcement was made that the British government had requested the Nicaraguan government to release the crews of the Cayman turtle fishing vessel which recently were thrown into prison by the Nicaraguan authorities on the Mosquito coast.

CAPTAINS HOLD OUT.

Ogdensburg, N. Y., May 5.—No settlement has yet been reached with the striking lake captains, but engineers, firemen and oilers today began fitting out the steamers of the Rutland transit line that have been wintering here. Twenty men have started for Chicago to fit out the company's boats there. It is expected the trouble with the captains will be soon settled. A westbound freight blockade exists here.

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# British Columbia To Be Ignored

## Work on the G. T. P. Starts at Three Eastern Points But Not on Coast.

## Tariff Tinkering to be a Feature of the Post-Budget Sessions.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 5.—Hon. Mr. Fitzpatrick today in the house accepted an important amendment of Mr. Morin that the construction of the transcontinental line should commence simultaneously at Quebec, Winnipeg and Moncton.

The Liberal caucus today, as last year, declined to ratify a proposal to grant half a million to settle the claim of the Chignecto ship railway. The only member who spoke in support of the proposition was Mr. Logan, of Cumberland, in whose county the abandoned works of the company are.

The opinion is general here that there will be tariff changes when the budget is brought down, but not of a sweeping character. One prominent politician declared today that he would not be surprised if the duties are raised upon iron and steel, cottons and woollens.

The remains of the late Mr. McCreary were forwarded to Winnipeg today amid manifestations of general sorrow.

### Impenetrable Mystery.

London, May 6.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times says the strategical plans of the Japanese general staff are still shrouded in impenetrable mystery. The correspondent also said it is regarded as certain that the transport Haginoura Maru, which has been reported as missing, is identical with the Japanese steamer Nakamura Maru, which the Russians sank April 26th.

Messrs. Douglas, Stewart and Puttee, M. P.'s, went west with the body.

Premier Ross, of Ontario, is here, and the general impression is he is going to appeal to the province forthwith.

A bill to amend the Redistribution Act of last session is necessary, as New Brunswick is only entitled to thirteen members.

Mr. Earle was informed by Hon. Mr. Prefontaine that no trap net licenses had been issued.

Hewitt Bostock, it is said, will likely get the vacancy in the Senate caused by the death of Senator Reid.

Sir W. Mulock told A. W. Puttee that the pay of letter-carriers was not fair and would be increased.

At the agricultural committee yesterday Mr. Macoun was forced to admit that the temperature in the Peace river country was as favorable during the summer months as around Edmonton, and was just as good for mixed farming.

Robert Herdman, 74 years of age, one of the pioneers of Ottawa, and a prominent lumberman, died here yesterday. For many years he was head of the firm of Robert Herdman & Co., and afterwards was connected with the Hull Lumber Company. For some years past he has been in poor health.

### THE JAPANESE LOAN.

London, May 5.—It was definitely arranged that one-half of the Japanese loan will go to the United States, and it was understood Kuhn, Loeb & Co. will handle it in America.

# JAPANESE SHIPS SEVERELY INJURED

## Several Large Battleships Were Badly Mauled Recently at Port Arthur.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST.

Berlin, May 6.—A despatch from Tokio says that the second Japanese reserves have not been completely mobilized because of the fact that the Korean roads, are still in very bad condition, being well nigh impassable. Moreover, it is said, that the Japanese do not desire to assume the offensive on a great scale until the whole Russian army has reached Southern Manchuria. Sunday's fight was due to a desire to enrage the enemy so that they would hurry their force into the threatened sections, as by this means the Japanese will be enabled to do their fighting close to their base of communications and will not be compelled to invade hostile territory. The despatch declares that the Japanese navy has recently sustained severe injuries in the fighting off Port Arthur and that several large ships have been docked at Sasebo.

### A LEVIATHAN.

Hamburg-American Line to Build a Thirty-five Thousand Ton Vessel.

Berlin, May 6.—It is announced here that the Hamburg-American Steamship Company has ordered to be built a vessel of 35,000 tons. It will be 715 feet long and will have a capacity for 1,200 cabin and 2,388 steerage passengers, besides the usual saloons. Its freight capacity will be 14,000 tons.


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### FIRE AT MICHEL.

Boarding House Destroyed and Guests Lose Their All.

Michel, May 5.—Fire last night resulted in the total destruction of the Dudley boarding house. The house contained fifty boarders, many of whom escaped only in their night clothes. The loss, $10,000; is partly covered by insurance. The Trites Wood Co.'s store and depot were scorched.

### NOT BELIEVED.

St. Petersburg, May 5.—There are rumors here, which cannot be traced to a responsible source, that the Russian troops in Northeastern Korea have swooped down upon the Japanese below the Yalu river, winning a big victory. The story is not credited.

# News of the Army and Navy

## Prize Firing of the R. G. A. Companies Serving in Canada.

## The New Design Propellers Said to Give Highest Satisfaction.

From Our Own Correspondent.

London, April 23.—The Royal Garrison Artillery companies in Canada at last year's prize firing did very well. No. 98 Company at Halifax topped the list of the 107 companies with the magnificent score of .594, which in the School of Gunnery report was referred to as "steady good practice and showing careful training." (No. 98 was awarded a first class the previous year, its score being .594.) No. 83 at Esquimalt got a second class with a figure of .411. (It qualified for a second place last year, but failed in the big gun series with a figure of .25), and No. 58 at Esquimalt secured a second place with the score of .392, or six points less than last year, when it also scored for a second class award. No. 103 Company at Halifax now, fired its course at Bermuda, but as its score only rose to .335 it was given a third place.

No. 64 Company lost a lot of ground since it left Esquimalt, B. C., last year as it made wretched practice at Singapore. The gunnery report says of it and in scathing terms: "Very bad practice throughout, showing a lamentable want of training on part of all. Layers very bad."

The sloop Cadmus left Portsmouth today for the Australian station.

The silver medal for long service and good conduct has been granted to the following warrant officers stationed at Halifax, N. S.: Master Gunner Earle, R. G. A., Sergeant-Major Calvey, Army Service Corps; Sergeant-Major F. J. Holland, Army Ordnance Corps, and Army Schoolmaster Weekes.

The design of propellers which give the cruiser Drake the very high speed of 24.11 knots is applied with very satisfactory results to the other new cruisers of the county class. The design of the blades of the propellers is an admiralty secret and has cost a considerable amount of money to secure. The blades in shape are just like a bent penny.

The commission of the first-class battleship Albion, flagship of Rear-Admiral the Hon. A. G. Curzon-Howe, C. V. O., C. B., C. M. G., second in command of the China squadron, expires in a few weeks, but she will not leave the station. The refit for a second commission in the Far East will be carried out at Hong Kong, at an estimated cost of £15,500. The present one is her maiden commission. It is not considered advisable to withdraw the Albion from the Far East for home refit.

The third battalion Royal Garrison Regiment, numbering 19 officers and 860 non-commissioned officers and men, with 80 soldiers' wives and 302 children, left Malta for Cape Town, per the steamship Plassy, the 22nd inst. The battalion, which on arrival at Cape Town will proceed to Bloemfontein, O. R. C., is commanded by Lieut.-Colonel F. Stringer, with Major A. L. Koe second in command.

# Suicide Spent Winter in Victoria

## Tragic Death at Seattle on Wednesday of Mr. Samuel B. Claypool.

## Was Formerly Manager of the Seattle Independent Telephone Company.

Samuel B. Claypool, one of the best known men on the Sound, who spent the winter in this city in company with Mrs. Claypool, committed suicide in his room at the Northern hotel, Seattle, on Wednesday in a shocking fashion, first cutting his wrist and then shooting himself through the heart. Reporting his tragic death, the Post-Intelligencer says:

Samuel B. Claypool, until a few months ago general manager of the Independent Telephone Company, in this city, committed suicide about noon yesterday in his room in the Northern hotel. His body was found shortly after 1 o'clock by his wife and a chambermaid of the hotel. He was still alive when found, but died before medical aid could be secured.

In a long letter to his wife he gave his reasons for his act, but she is holding the contents of the letter even from the authorities.

For several days Claypool had been suffering from an attack of grip, according to the managers of the hotel. George B. Shellhorn, of Green Lake, a brother-in-law of Claypool, has been his almost constant companion for several days.

Mrs. Claypool, for several days since her return from Victoria, B. C., where she spent the winter with her husband, has been staying with her sister, Mrs. Shellhorn. She visited her husband every day, however.

Yesterday noon one of the hotel chambermaids went to Claypool's room to do the usual cleaning work. When she opened the door she found Claypool lying on the bed, as she believed, asleep. She closed the door and went away, but returned in a little more than half an hour and found him in the same position.

When Mrs. Claypool called at the hotel, soon after 1 o'clock, she entered the room, which was unlocked, and found her husband unconscious and in the same position as he had been seen by the chambermaid. A 38-calibre revolver was clasped in his hand. Blood was spattered about the floor of the room and in a wash basin. This was from a cut in the man's wrist.

Deputy Coroner Arnold says that Claypool had evidently cut his wrist with a knife that was found in the room, and had then shot himself. A pool of blood was found on the floor at the side of the bed. Claypool, the deputy coroner believes, had washed the blood from his wrist after he had allowed it to bleed for a short time. From a bureau drawer he evidently secured the revolver and fired a shot into his left side. The bullet passed through the heart and lodged in the muscles of the back.

The letter addressed to Mrs. Claypool was found in the room. She opened it and read the contents. When asked if it gave any information concerning the suicide, Mrs. Claypool refused to say, other than it was of a strictly private nature.

After the body had been removed to the morgue, Mrs. Claypool left for the home of her sister at Green Lake.

During the past few weeks it is reported that Mr. Claypool has been attempting to organize a company to instal a telephone company at Everett. No funeral arrangements have been made, Coroner Hoye will decide today whether or not he will hold an inquest.

In the United States the sparrow has six broods a year; in Britain seldom more than three.

### FAVORS NEW ROUTE.

Russian Commission of Opinion That Arctic Sea Presents no Difficulties.

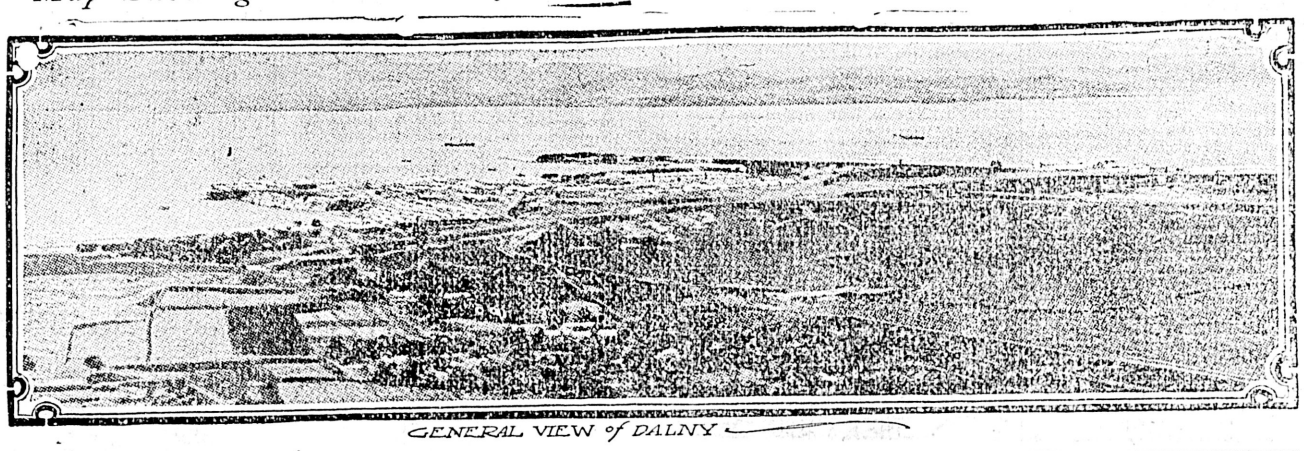
Paris, May 6.—The Journal's St. Petersburg correspondent has had an interview with General Vilkitsky, chairman of the commission appointed to examine into the possibility of establishing a northern route to the Far East, in the course of which the general said the commission was unanimously of the opinion that such a route was practical during the summer months, and was so far preferable to the Suez route that every effort ought to be made to overcome the difficulties in the way of making use of it.

### RUSSIAN LOAN SUBSCRIBED.

French Financier Stated That Entire Amount Has Been Taken up.

Paris, May 5.—A representative of one of the banks forming the syndicate underwriting the Russian loan, said: "We consider the loan closed in principle, but some details remain to be settled. The amount will be $100,000,000, as previously announced, at 5 per cent. for five years, and the selling price slightly above 98. The entire amount has already been taken. Many French and a number of Belgian banks," he said, "had subscribed." He added, "The entire issue will be made at one time, not in three parts, as reported. The readiness with which the full amount has been subscribed shows the solidity of the Russian credit. This is in contrast to the rates Japan pays, as she realizes about 93 for a 6 per cent. bond after paying customs, whereas Russia realizes over 98 per cent.

*Map Showing Kin Chou Bay Where The Japanese Are Probably Landing*



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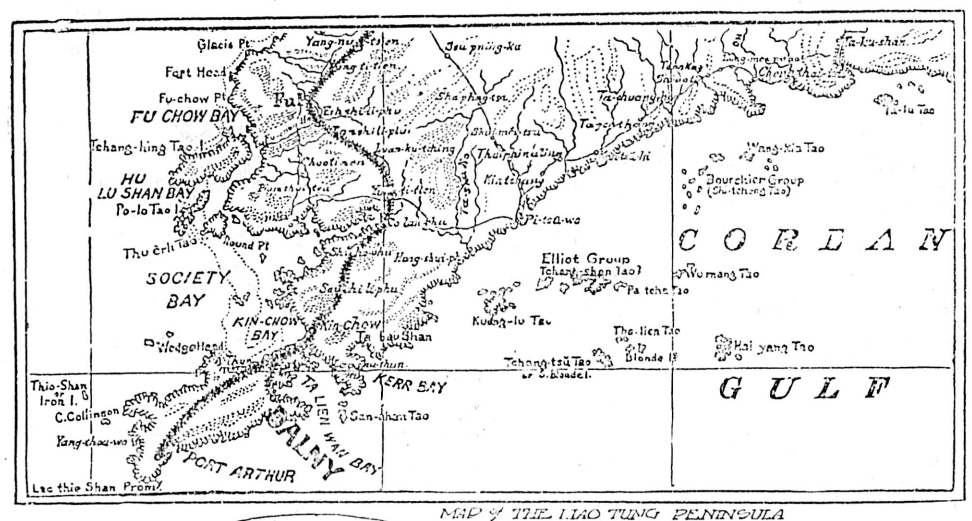


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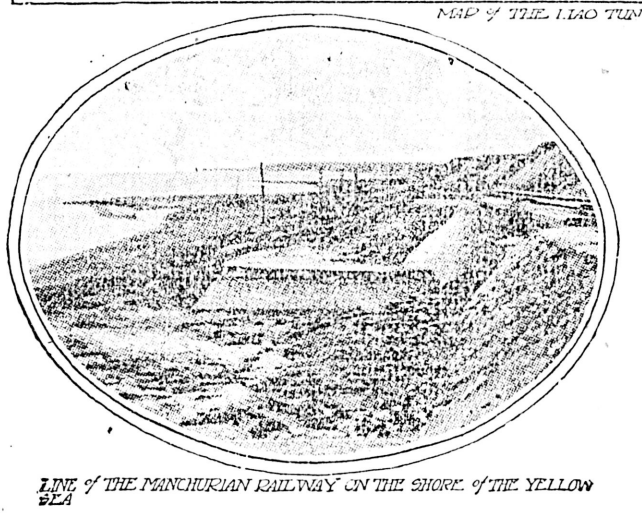

LINE of THE MANCHURIAN RAILWAY ON THE SHORE of THE YELLOW SEA

# Alexieff Reports Impending Blow

## Japanese Transports Reported at Kinchow Bay in Korea.

## Russian Government is Making Strenuous Efforts to Stifle Discontent.

SPECIAL CABLE TO THE LONDON TIMES AND VICTORIA COLONIST

St. Petersburg, May 6.—A telegram from Viceroy Admiral Alexieff at Port Arthur states that the Japanese fleet of warships, commanded by Admiral Togo, is behind the Liaoshan promontory, south of Port Arthur. Transports with many Japanese troops on board are reported to have been seen near Kinchow bay, on the west coast of the Liaotung peninsula, north of Port Arthur, while others are reported at Pitsewo, north of Port Arthur. These ships are expected to attempt to land troops to make a land attack on the Russian strongholds.

The recent reverse along the Yalu has had the effect of impressing the war office with the fact that General Kuropatkin's statement that he would need half a million men was not an exaggeration. An order has been issued for the mobilization of the tenth and eighteenth army corps.

The defeat of the Siberian regiments was a distinct shock to the public confidence, and despite the optimistic accounts printed in the newspapers, the people generally are greatly depressed. Open criticism of the government is being suppressed by wholesale arrests, but the internal situation in Russia is very serious.

The question of transportation is causing the general staff much anxiety. The Manchurian roads are in very bad shape, due to the recent rains, and it is almost impossible to move wheeled conveyances. The Japanese are reported to be using coolies, but the Russians cannot secure them and are forced to depend on horses. It is conceded that if the Japanese take Fenghuangcheng, they will capture a large quantity of transport apparatus which has been stored there.

### Japs are Landing

Tokio, May 6.—(12 noon.)—It is officially announced that a Japanese force began landing on the Liaotung peninsula yesterday. The place where the landing is occurring and the number of men being landed is withheld.

### BOY KILLS HIS BROTHER.

Endicott, May 5.—Alexander Luft died this morning at St. Ignatius' hospital, in Colfax, from the effects of a wound received yesterday while out hunting. He was the fifteen-year-old son of Conrad Luft, a prominent farmer of this section. Yesterday afternoon he and his brother went out squirrel hunting. Alex. was walking a few feet ahead of his brother, who accidentally fired his 22-calibre revolver, hitting Alex. in the back two inches to the left of the spinal column, the bullet going entirely through the body, coming out through the abdomen. The brother is unable to tell how he happened to fire the revolver, merely saying it just went off.


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# ITALIAN MINISTER'S UNSAVORY RECORD

## Found Guilty of Stealing Large Sums and Falsifying Documents.

Rome, May 5.—There was a great sensation in the Chamber of Deputies today at the conclusion of the parliamentary inquiry into the administration of Signor Nasi, formerly minister of public instruction. The inquiry proved Nasi to have been guilty of misappropriation of large sums of money, the falsification of documents, the suppression of evidence and continuous peculations. The law courts presented to the chamber a demand that they be allowed to proceed against Nasi and arrest him, but under the rules of the chamber, the discussion of this demand was postponed until Saturday. Meanwhile the news that Nasi had been declared guilty of the charges against him spread, and the former minister, believing all to be lost, fled. Nasi was a strong politician and it was believed he was destined to become premier. The result of the parliamentary inquiry into his conduct has caused great excitement.


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"The Advantages of Physical Training for Boys," by DR. GEORGE L. MEYLAN, Physical Director Columbia University, New York.

"The Need of Regular Physical Training for Public School Children," by DR. THOMAS D. WOOD, Professor of Physical Education Columbia University, New York.

"How a Boy Can Best Utilize Twenty Minutes a Day in the Gymnasium," by DR. ANDERSON, Physical Director Yale University.

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"Standing High Jump," by RAY C. EWRY, New York A. C. World's Record Holder.

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"Hammer Throwing," by JOHN DE WITT, Princeton University. Intercollegiate Record Holder. College Champion 1901, 1902, 1903.

"Swimming," by JOSEPH W. SPENCER, Columbia University. Holder of twenty-three American Records. One thousand Yard Metropolitan Champion 1902.

In the games these well-known authorities will give their practical advice:

"Hockey," by E. J. GIANNINI.
Physical Director New York Athletic Club.

"Basketball," by GEORGE T. HEPBRON.
Secretary Amateur Athletic Union Basketball Committee.
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### CYCLONE IN ILLINOIS.

Sioux City, May 5.—A tornado formed just east of Meriden, on the Illinois Central this afternoon. The tornado struck Meriden, demolishing a number of houses and barns. The torrent of water which fell washed out much track. No one has been reported seriously injured or killed. The storm also struck Cherokee and demolished a few buildings. At Meriden the tornado swept a path forty rods wide and a mile long.

"I'm not quite sure," she said, "that I love you well enough to marry you." "Very well," he answered, "tell me the other fellow's name and I'll go and ask him whether he intends to propose to you or not."—Chicago Record-Herald.

### BORN.

MUIRHEAD—April 27, the wife of Jas. McL. Muirhead, of a son.

DUNNELL—At The Chevin, Oak Bay, Victoria, on 4th May, the wife of Harry Dunnell, of a daughter.

### DIED.

O'NEIL—At St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria, on the 3rd instant, James D. O'Neil, a native of Limerick, Ireland, aged about 65 years.

The funeral will take place on Friday morning, May 6, at 9:15 a.m., from the parlors of the B. C. Funeral & Furnishing Company, Government street, and at 9:30 o'clock at the Roman Catholic Cathedral.


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### TO MY PATIENTS

I expect to leave here for the East about the 10th of May and expect to be away two months. During my absence my office will be closed.

DR. HARTMAN

# Improvements Northern Points

## Fine New Hotel at Campbell River For Sportsmen's Benefit.

## Heriot Bay Trading Firm Erecting Large New Quarters.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Lund, May 3.—With the opening up of the present season many improvements arenoticeable along the coast and islands that dot the waters between Vancouver island and the Mainland, and in spite of the temporary depression in the logging business, the present year gives every promise of prosperity.

Amongst the improvements of most interest to the sportsman is the erection of a fine large hotel at Campbell river, whose waters have long been a well-known paradise of big trout with lots of fighting in them. This hostelry is being built by Messrs. Thubin Bros., whose initial effort in catering to the fisherman and the hunter, as well as the summer visitor, has made the little Swedish settlement at Lund one of the best known summer resorts on the Coast. Situated to the south of Campbell river, and as near to its mouth as the omnipresent Siwash reserve will permit, this second of the Thubin hotels is considerably larger than the first, the commodious "Malaspina" hotel of Lund. Work on the structure began about a fortnight ago, and already it has become a landmark on the bleak shores of the channel, which, racing up from Cape Mudge, boils and rages in the great whirpools of Seymour narrows. The new resort is expected to be ready for opening about the middle of June.

On the opposite side of Valdez island, at Heriot bay, Messrs. H. and C. A. Bull have for ten years or more carried on a general trading business. This has now out-grown its old quarters, and a fine large store, 24 x 60, is in course of erection for its future accommodation. The structure will be a two-storey and a half one, the upper flats being aranged for rooms for use in connection with the hotel business the Messrs. Bull also carry on at Heriot bay.

At Shoal bay George Monday, a boatbuilder, has been successful in working up a fine business. In addition to the many small boats he has been building he has lately turned out quite a handsome little schooner of forty odd feet length over all.

But all the improvements are not monopolized by the whites. The Siwashes have caught the spirit of progress and at Sliammon two or three projects are under consideration. First amongst these is a waterworks system for the service of the village. A fine stream flows beside it and up that a few hundred yards lies a lake which offers an abundant supply of good, pure water. The cost of the iron pipe for a main has in the past been a great hindrance but this has lately been removed through the action of a couple of lumber companies. The Hastings mill and one or two others having timber limits behind the reservation, desire to cross it with their logs in order to get them to the booming ground. To do this they had to bargain with Chief Tom, and this astute Sliammon chief stood out for $100 a year from all comers. This rental, coming in for the past year or two, has raised "the wind" that will buy the pipe, and so soon as the salmon fishing is over this year the boys of the village are to gather home to lay the mains, build a small dam and generally arrange for the service.

Another matter agitating Chief Tom and his village is that of a school. Sliammon is an exemplary village and the morality and good living of its people is well seen in their looks. For about half a century it has been a Roman Catholic mission, and today the village stands around a large and well-kept church. But Chief Tom wants more than that, he wants the children taught to read and write, and so a school stands foremost amongst the things he covets. Time and again the government has been petitioned for a school, but Sliammon is a small village and the Indian department has many claims upon it. The chiefs have turned to the priests, but they want the children sent to the other church schools on the Fraser or at Vancouver, or to the new school soon to be finished at Siehelt. Against this, however, there is a strong prejudice, and the Indians have even discussed the bringing in of a Methodist missionary, who would live amongst them and be schoolmaster. This project, however, does not seem to find much favor and how Chief Tom will have the 35 "tenas" of Sliammon taught the big three "R's" is still unsolved in the Siwash councils.

# THE CHINESE MURDER CASE

## Several Witnesses Were Examined Yesterday on Behalf of Prosecution.

Yesterday morning when the court assembled for the resuming of the trial of the Chinese for the alleged murder of Man Quong, the jury expressed a desire to view the scene of the row in the Chinese theatre. This request was made to enable them to better understand the evidence than they could from the plans only.

Before the jury left for the theatre Mr. Taylor, the accused men's counsel, again objected to the interpreter, David C. Lem, saying that while the crown witnesses were kept apart in a room, he was allowed to go in with them, thus obviating the usefulness of keeping them secluded.

After the jury returned from the visit to the theatre, Ah Fah Chung's cross-examination was proceeded with by Mr. Taylor.

Witness said he with others took Man Quong upstairs from the stage. Mr. Taylor called attention to the fact that the constable swore that he had taken the injured man up, and further that witness in his evidence at the Police court had sworn that he and the constable took Man Quong to his room.

A document was given witness, who said it seemed like a placard offering a reward for the arrest of the murderers, which was posted up some time ago. It was signed by the Bo An Tung. He did not understand very clearly what the Bo An Tung was. It was the people of the district to which Man Quong belonged. Lo Yen, he knew, was one of the people of the district to which Man Quong belonged.

Asked where the alleged facts in the placard could be obtained by the people who published it, witness said Man Quong's people knew about it. He told them about it at Sing Lee's. Witness lived at Sing Lee's now. He did not before.

Before Man Quong was thrown from the balcony he had a wound on his lip. After Man Quong was taken upstairs to his room from the stage he had told witness he was badly hurt.

The court then adjourned until 2:15.

In the afternoon George Perdue, detective, was examined and testified to the arrest of Wong Gow. He found the prisoner on the 1st of February in a house in Chinatown. When witness came in prisoner went quickly into another room. Witness followed him and accosted him. Prisoner said "my name is Yick." Witness told him his name was not Yick. "Yes," replied the prisoner, "my name is Yee Yick. I was not at the theatre last night."

Witness took him to the police station. When they arrived there were several other Chinese standing around. Witness again asked him his name in order to enter it on the books. He replied, "It's no use saying my name is Yee Yick. My name is Wong Gow."

Witness was cross-examined at length by Mr. Taylor as to his recollection of these events.

Sergeant Walker was next examined and testified to the arrest of the other prisoner, Wong On. He found him over Tim Kee's store, on Cormorant street. He was in bed. Witness arrested him and took him to the police station. There was no conversation until they reached there. When they arrived witness cautioned him through W. F. Wong, interpreter, and asked his name and asked him if he was at the theatre on the Saturday night of the row. Prisoner replied "No."

Mr. Taylor objected on the ground that the conversation took place in Chinese and should be proved by the interpreter.

W. F. Wong was therefore called and testified to the conversation, but could not remember about the caution or warning.

After considerable argument from both counsel regarding the admissability of any statement of prisoner on that occasion, His Lordship ordered it struck out and instructed the jury to eliminate from their minds all evidence of what took place at the police station.

Sergeant Walker, recalled and further examined, testified to having found under prisoner's bed a pair of boots which were wet and had signs of mud on them and had evidently been recently worn.

W. F. Wong, recalled, gave evidence of the affair in corroboration of Ah Fat's story. He was upstairs on the third floor of the theatre on the Friday and heard a noise on the second floor. He started to go down, but there was such a crowd he could not get past. After the noise quieted he came down to Quon's room. The balance of the evidence was much the same as Ah Fat's.

During the examination the grand jury brought in their presentment.

They reported having visited the provincial gaol, which they found in a most satisfactory state and well kept. They also visited the reformatory where they found a very decided improvement on the condition there last year.

The Old Men's Home was also visited and though the inmates grumbled somewhat at the site they appeared well content and were well satisfied with the present management. The Jubilee hospital was the next place visited where everything was found to be most satisfactory.

The lockup at Esquimalt they found to be altogether inadequate for the purpose for which it was intended. It is too small and fearfully dirty and not fit to put a decent man into.

The Marine hospital was visited and the place found in excellent shape. A complaint was made by some there as to the wretched stipend paid the manager, viz., $500 per annum, out of which he had to provide many things necessary for the proper maintenance of the institution.

Mr. Belyea continued the examination of W. F. Wong and before the adjournment, which was taken at 5:55, told His Lordship in reply to the request of Mr. Taylor, that he would endeavor, on behalf of the crown, to prevent any communication between witnesses. Court will resume at 10:30 this morning.

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A general staff has been organized in the German navy. Its chief is Vice-Admiral Buchsel, who is to be assisted by eleven high rank officers, twenty-one commanders and twelve lieutenant commanders. Twenty-six out of this total of forty-five are to be attached to the headquarters at Berlin.

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The French armoured cruiser Gloire has succeeded in steaming 21.3 knots with 21,400 horse-power under forced draught. Under natural draught the speed was 19.5 knots with 14,000 horse-power. The reconstructed battleship Marceau, built in 1887, made 16.5 knots in her recent trial under forced draught. The new armored cruiser Conde, 10,000 tons, calculated to steam 21 knots under full power, reached only 16.4 knots with 13,500 horse-power under natural draught, or 2.9 knots less than her sister ship, the Gloire.

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# MAKAROFF ONCE VISITED AMERICA

## Late Russian Admiral Was at the Soo and Inspected Ice-Crusher.

It is not generally known that Admiral Makaroff, the Russian officer who lost his life in the blowing up of the Petropavlovsk, with 700 of his countrymen, once paid a visit to Canada.

The Sault Ste. Marie News says: The death of Admiral Makaroff, commander of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, probably created more comment among the people of the Soo than anywhere else in this locality, from the fact that about twelve years ago he visited this part of the country on a tour of inspection.

The Admiral spent some time at St. Ignace inspecting the working of the huge ice crusher St. Marie, and it was after this gigantic ferry that the crusher plying the waters of Lake Baikal was patterned.

Otto Supe had the honor of dining at the same table with this distinguished citizen of the land of the Czar, and was on the boat with him several times. In recalling the experience at the straits to a representative of the News, Mr. Supe said:

"Admiral Makaroff did not impress me as being a great man, but this was probably because of the fact that he was a foreigner. He was clad in a furlined overcoat, wore high top boots, but I do not remember what his headgear was. He was given a place on the boat where he could watch the manner in which the ice was crushed, and from time to time it was steered into floating chunks, or what might be termed small icebergs, simply for his benefit.

"I was not on the boat at the time but one of the crew told me that on one trip the Admiral was allowed to get out on a large sheet of ice and photograph the boat as it struck."

Many other people in the city remember the admiral. He was a member of a party that visited this city for the purpose of inspecting the locks.


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# SCHOOL RECORD FOR MONTH OF APRIL

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More than half the children in attendance at the public schools during the month of April were present every session, and in every school the regularity percentage was above 90. The school which stood highest in this respect was the Rock Bay, with Kingston street a close second. So uniformly good was the attendance in all parts of the city that only ten of the sixty-four divisions in all the schools fell below a 90 per cent. average; while thirteen divisions reached the 95 per cent. mark. These were: High school, Division 1, 98.36; South Park, Division 6, 97.42; South Park, Division 1, 97.05; Girls', Division 1, 96.83; South Park, Division 8, 96.90; Hillside, Division 1, 96.14; Boys' Central, Division 7, 96.07; Rock Bay, Division 1, 96; Victoria West, Division 1, 95.72; Boys' Central, Division 3, 95.62; North Ward, Division 5, 95.60; Boys' Central, Division 11, 95.08.

The average daily attendance exceeded that of the corresponding month of last year by 134. The first division of the Kingston street school, taught by Miss Jesse, reported 49 pupils attending, and of these 40 were present every session of the month.

Following is the usual summary of the return:

| | No. Present. | Boys. | Girls. | Daily Average. | Attendance per cent. | Present every Session. | No Tardiness Cases. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| High school | 197 | 88 | 109 | 177.37 | 90.00 | 93 | 16 |
| Boys' school | 528 | 528 | .... | 493.46 | 93.45 | 324 | 33 |
| Girls' school | 437 | .... | 437 | 397.52 | 90.96 | 253 | 3 |
| North Ward | 432 | 242 | 190 | 391.47 | 90.61 | 238 | 33 |
| South Park | 354 | 176 | 178 | 331.77 | 93.72 | 210 | 32 |
| Victoria West | 237 | 118 | 119 | 215.34 | 90.86 | 144 | 8 |
| Spring Ridge | 178 | 104 | 74 | 163.96 | 92.11 | 101 | 13 |
| Hillside | 131 | 81 | 50 | 122.22 | 93.29 | 82 | 28 |
| Kingston street | 148 | 87 | 61 | 139.93 | 94.54 | 99 | 25 |
| Rock Bay | 63 | 33 | 30 | 59.86 | 95.12 | 36 | 6 |
| Total | 2,705 | 1,457 | 1,248 | 2,492.90 | 92.12 | 1,597 | 197 |

### LACROSSE.

The Victoria Team.

From the personel of the players who havereported for practice already, Victoria should be a hot favorite in the championship race this year. Charles Cullin, Sam Lorimer, Belfry, Cattenauga, McCorbie, H. Jesse, J. Wolfenden, Dewar, McConnell, Fred White, O'Brien, F. Smith, Cowan, George Williams and Stan. Pecie, all having expressed their willingness to help uphold the honor of the blue and white.

As probably some of the above names are new to the public, a short introduction would be in order. George Cattenauga is considered one of the finest defence players in Canada, having played on several of the best teams and playing point for the Shamrocks of Winnipeg last season. He is a tall, powerful man and when in the best of condition tips the scales at over 200 pounds, at the same time being an exceptionaly fast player.

McCorbie is another defence player who will give a good account of himself, as he played last season on Nelson's strong team and is showing up well in practice.

Billie O'Brien, who arrived in the city from Vancouver last Sunday, is a fast, aggressive home player, who has had considerable experience with eastern teams. He played outside home for Vancouver the latter part of last season and will occupy the same position for Victoria this year. O'Brien is an old chum of Cattenaugh's, having played on the Shamrocks of Winnipeg with him last year.

No special mention need be given of Sandy Cowan, as he has played in the province for several years, both with Vancouver and New Westminster, and has proved himself a star home player.

George Williams is also an old friend of Victoria's lacrosse enthusiasts, having played here a few years ago. He is a clever stickhandler, and this, combined with his weight will make him a welcome addition to the home field.

The club is sparing no efforts to make this year a banner one in every way, and as they have already gone to considerable expense and trouble, both in bringing the local team up to the required standard and improving the grounds, it is to be hoped the citizens will make every effort to help them along and turn out en masse for the opening game of the season, Tuesday morning, May 24th.

### THE OAR.

J. B. A. A. Practicing Steadily.

The J. B. A. A. will make a strong effort to win all the events in which they enter at the N. P. A. A. A. regatta on July 4th. The "big four" will be very strong, although unfortunately Dave Jones will not be able to row. Some time ago, Dave contracted a severe cold, which he has been unable to shake off, and on that account, greatly to his disappointment, he has been compelled to give up rowing for this season. Fred Dillabough will take his place and he is expected to fill the vacancy well. The crew will be well balanced and quite as strong as last year's

It is hoped the crack four-oared crew from the University of Washington will try conclusions with the "Big Four" at the regatta here on the 24th of this month. In that event the J. B. A. A. will lend them one of their new lapstreaks. This race would arouse great interest and numbers of visitors from the Sound would come over to encourage their crew.

The J. B. A. A. junior four is not yet chosen; but two trial crews are practicing steadily. They will race on the 14th inst., and the crew will be chosen from among them. Vancouver may send over a crew to race them on the 24th.

Washington University Defeated.

Much to the surprise of the students at Washington University, the crew was defeated decisively by the University of California crew last Monday afternoon in the rowing race of one and one-half miles on the Oakland estuary. The test of the speed of the two crews is not considered a fair one, however, for the reason that California insisted on rowing the races in barges, and turned over to Washington an old barge that was not in any too good condition, while they had a new one for themselves.

The Washington men had hoped to race in regular racing shells, and the fact that they had been training with the long, sweeping shell stroke, operated against them yesterday in pulling a barge against a strong tide. California used a short, choppy stroke that would not get them anywhere on a lake in a shell, but which enabled them to get off in front at the crack of the gun yesterday and increase their lead right along, until they finished nine lengths to the good.

The Washington men were handicapped, too, in having to carry the weight of Cench Knight as coxwain. Jim is no infant, and while the Washington men might have made a better showing with a lighter man steering, the general opinion of those who saw the race is that Washington was doomed to defeat from the moment that it was decided to row the race in barges.

California's winning time was 10:45 and Washington's time was 11:19. The race was against a strong out-going tide, which made time a minute slow.

Next year's races will likely be rowed without a coxwain in the boat, and California will go to Seattle to meet Washington on her smooth inland lake. Stanford will also be invited.

### BILLIARDS.

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The prizes are now on exhibition in the window of the Fit-Reform clothing store, Hastings street, Vancouver.

### BASEBALL.

More Dates Fixed.

Manager Wille booked games last night with the University of Columbia (Portland), Saturday week, University of Washington on Monday and Tuesday, May 23rd and 24th, and with Manuel Lopez, who were to have played here on Saturday last, on the 28th.

University of Washington.

Yesterday's Post-Intelligencer has the following article on the University of Washington team:

"The baseball team of the university will leave tonight on the 10 o'clock train for a tour of Eastern Washington. Owing to the good work of Coach Thorpe and Captain Dode Brinker the team has been whipped into shape and today it stands as one of the best amateur aggregations in the Northwest.

"They have played only three games, winning two of these. Their first game was with the Manuel Lopez team, which they defeated easily. Their game with Everett resulted in a defeat at the hands of Schoch. The team from the Puget Sound University went into the game with Wathington expecting something easy, but was beaten by a score of 26 to 4.

"This year's team is by far the strongest baseball aggregation Washington has turned out. The squad this spring numbers almost twenty-five men, while last year it was difficult to get enough men together to form a scrub team against which to practice.

"The varsity has a strong pitching staff. Capt. Brinker is one of the best known amateur baseball men in the state. He has good control and the speed natural to a man weighing 180 pounds. Roscoe Teats is another well known player. He has played on the varsity three years, last year captaining the team.

"The latest discovery in the pitching staff is Railsback. He has pitched the last two games and has made good. Speidell will catch for Washington for his third successive year. Cole and Leiser, members of last year's team, will play their old positions of second base and shortstop respectively. The other positions are filed by new men. The team will not be definitely picked until tonight, although it is safe to say that Noyes, Mitchell, Hoover, Grinstead and Sieler will be included in the eleven men to go.

May 6th and 7th Washington will play Walla Walla; Lewiston 9th and 10th; University of Idaho, 11th and 12th; Pullman, 13th and 14th.

A game has not been definitely arranged with Gonzaga College, but it is possible that Washington may play there on the 16th. The team returns May 17th.

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### FISH TRAPS.

In answer to a question by Mr. Earle the Minister of Marine stated yesterday in the House of Commons that no licenses have yet been issued permitting the use of fish traps in British Columbia waters. Those engaged in the cannery industry would be glad to know when some action will be taken in this matter. It was stated some time ago that the Dominion Government had finally decided to permit the use of traps and it is, therefore, a matter of difficulty to understand what the reason of the delay is in taking definite action. We certainly think that an authoritative announcement should be made of the Government's final decision, and also a statement of the localities in which the traps would be allowed. Those concerned in the fishery would then know exactly what was intended and be able to govern their course accordingly. At present all is indefinite and while there does not appear to be much doubt that traps will be allowed by the Government, until an official statement is made there is, of course, an element of uncertainty about the matter.

In this connection also it would be interesting to know whether the Dominion Government intends to work in harmony with the Provincial Government in regard to the foreshore sites that the latter authority may grant or lease. It cannot but be detrimental to the industry to have any friction between the two Governments on this matter. Indeed, in certain contingencies such an occurrence might cause serious loss and complications to those to whom permits for traps had been issued. The question of the limits of the respective jurisdiction of the Dominion and Provincial Governments has got to be settled sooner or later, and the longer that settlement is deferred the greater will be the injury caused to the fishery. The interest of the Province in the industry is far greater than that of the Dominion. Indeed, that of the latter is practically confined to the surplus revenue that it collects every year from the fishermen. We had expected that before this the Government at Ottawa would have made an answer, which it promised long ago, to the communication from the Provincial Government on the subject. The latter is anxious to take any action that appears desirable for the preservation of the fishery, and there is general agreement that no unnecessary delay should occur. But until the Dominion Government gives some intimation of its attitude on the subject, the Provincial Government cannot very well do anything.

### A RETROGRADE PROPOSAL.

We think there will be considerable criticism of the City Council's proposal to instal a large number of meters with a view of checking the liberal use of water throughout the City during the Summer months. While no reasonable person would be inclined to oppose such action were it necessary in order to make the possible supply meet the demand, this is not really the situation. There seems to be no doubt that the source of supply is ample for the needs of the present population, with a good margin for the growth that may be anticipated as likely to occur for some years to come. The difficulty arises from the fact that the service pipe from the reservoirs is not large enough to allow of a sufficient supply of water being delivered in the City. To those who believe that an ample supply of water of good quality is one of the first essentials in every well-regulated town, the solution of the difficulty seems simple enough—to lay another pipe. Of course, this would involve a capital outlay, but so will the meters, and there is no comparison possible between the results of these two methods of expenditure. By one we shall obtain a large addition to our water supply. By the other we only obtain the means of checking the consumption of water by making it too costly for many of the residents to use the water on their gardens and lawns. The installation of the meters is, we believe, estimated to cost between $50,000 and $60,000. All we get for it is, as we have said, a means of checking the consumption of water. The population is growing and we shall require to increase the supply of water—meters or no meters. Would it not then be much wiser to make an expenditure with the aim of increasing the supply rather than for the purpose of checking the consumption of water by our present population? The former would be a productive expenditure and one that would provide a margin of supply for a greater population, while allowing the present population an ample supply of water. The other is simply designed to restrict the present consumption and leave provision for a larger supply still to be met in the future. The object which the City Council has in view is easily understood, but it is not the best way to achieve it that is now proposed. Indeed, it must be regarded as a retrograde step and really opposed to the policy which we had thought was firmly established—of making the service of all public utilities as satisfactory and ample as possible. For years the water supply of Victoria was deficient in quantity and inferior in quality. By large expenditures from the civic funds both those defects were removed. Now, by the installation of meters, we are about to admit that the supply has again become inadequate. But the supply is not really inadequate; it is only the facilities for bringing it to the consumers that are insufficient for the requirements. It is admitted, however, that an expenditure must be made to meet the difficulty. Shall we apply the money to making the supply adequate or expend it in such a way that consumers will be compelled to restrict their use of the water on the score of expense? Considerations of the public health and convenience and of the adornment of the City by beautiful lawns and gardens, all point to the former being the proper method to adopt to reach the desired end, and it is to be hoped that the City Council will abandon the proposal to instal hundreds of meters and substitute for it one that will add to the capacity of the waterworks and not allow the City to fall behind other towns in regard to an abundant supply of water.

### THE WAR.

The further reports which have come from both Japanese and Russian sources do not minimize the serious reverse which the Russians suffered on the Yalu River on Sunday last. It is only natural that they should seek to explain away the gravity of the defeat that General Kuroki inflicted on them. That the Japanese forces largely exceeded those which General Zassilitch was able to oppose to them is undoubted. But while this may be accepted as a proof that the Russians had not strength enough to resist the enemy's advance, it does not relieve their commander of the blame which must rest upon him for the blunder he committed in not following strictly the orders given by the Russian commander-in-chief. Nor does the confession that the Japanese guns were heavier, and the manner in which they were served superior to that of the Russians do more than explain the causes of the latter's defeat. The credit for skill and sound tactical judgment must remain with the Japanese. What will be the next movement by the Japanese still remains known only to themselves. Although the foreign press correspondents appear to be permitted to accompany the Japanese advance, they are not allowed to send out anything more than harmless accounts of the character of the country and people. It is not, however, likely that the Japanese will push forward so as to expose themselves to be attacked on their flank by the Russians stationed at Feng Huang Cheng. No confirmation has come of the report that the Japanese had taken Niu Chwang, or even that they had attacked that place. There is still a third Japanese army reported to have been embarked, but of which or of its destination nothing has been heard. Startling news about it may come at any time.

A despatch from Seoul, dated Tuesday last, says that heavy cannonading was heard off Gensan on Monday and Tuesday morning, which was supposed to be caused by an engagement between the fleet of Admiral Urin and the squadron from Vladivostock. But an engagement in the open sea between modern ironclads is not likely to continue for hours as was sometimes the case with naval battles in the past, and it seems improbable that such an engagement could have taken place without news of it being received by this time. The statement that Port Arthur harbor has been closed is again repeated.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

#### OFFICIAL VANDALS.

Sir—The old cemetery on Quadra street is to be "improved." The improvement consists chiefly in cutting down the beautiful trees, that are the chief adornment of that part of the city.

Would it not be better to clear out the underbrush and rubbish, leaving intact the fine old trees?

To remove the trees would convert the old cemetery into a barren waste.

Will not some one take this matter up at once and stop the workmen from destroying the trees which grow amid the graves of the pioneer settlers of our city?

VICTORIAN.

#### AN EXPLANATION WANTED.

Sir—People who like to see fair play have not failed to remark that while the Times, in a prejudiced and sometimes ever abusive manner, assails the Water Commissioner for his commendable and progressive action regarding meters, it is careful to withhold from its readers that official's latest report (published in your columns), which fully answers all its objections, and clearly shows the benefits and saving of expense that have resulted from the extension of the meter system—a fortunate result that is not a little due to the enlightened support you gave to that project.

As to Mr. Drury's lamentation, it is well known that he has lately moved into a large place on upper Pandora street, in a high and dry situation, and he is learning that to carry on large agricultural operations requires extensive and expensive irrigation, which there is no reason he should not pay for himself, like the rest of us do for ours.

FAIR PLAY.

May 5, 1904.

#### WATER METERS VS. COMMON SENSE.

Sir—I feel impelled through your columns to enter a protest against the City Council purchasing water meters in such quantities as proposed. I maintain that it is a very unbusinesslike proceeding, and could understand such steps being taken, allowing that there is a shortage of water in the lakes. Those qualified to give an opinion state that the trouble arises from the fact that the service pipes from the reservoir are insufficient in delivery. Does any sensible citizen believe that installing 215 water meters will remedy the defect? We have made many blunders in our water works system in the past; let us beware of adding another to the list. Is it a wise and patriotic step to take the ratepayers' money and hand it over to our cousins across the line, so that some poor citizen who is struggling to make ends meet may have his little flower bed and grass patch wither and die? Don't let us go backward. Our town is growing, and needs another service at an early date. Let our council tackle the subject at once and find out the cost, taking into account the annual amount that will be saved in wages of workmen installing and reading meters, which, by the way, only yield an extra revenue about four months in the year, as against a working expense of twelve months. There is also the North Dairy Farm pumping station. The annual expense, which is large, will be stopped, and the machinery can be sold when the pipe line is completed. These items, added to the cost of the proposed meters, will help very considerably in paying for the work. Victoria is growing. Houses are going up in all directions. We are making efforts to increase tourist travel to the city. Good water and plenty of it is essential, and is considered a requisite in every city of importance. Is this to be obtained by the use of water meters? I say no. Don't let us spend money on a makeshift. Let a bylaw be prepared and I feel confident it will be carried, as a judicious expenditure is always a good asset, a remark which I am sure will not apply to the purchase of water meters. I feel confident these views are held by many citizens, and our city fathers will assume a grave responsibility if they do not call a public meeting to ascertain the views of the people on this subject.

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### PROVINCIAL PRESS.

The most pleased and thoroughly self-satisfied mining man we have met for a long time is Mr. Ames of the Iowa-Lillooet Gold Dredging Company, operating at Lillooet. He has reason to be, for the big dredge has proved that it can handle 4,000 cubic yards of dirt in 24 hours, and he has dredged and washed enough dirt to warrant him in the statement that the gold product will average $1,000 a day. Mr. Ames, when he first gave his attention to the bars in the Fraser at Lillooet, some seven or eight years ago, was a very frequent visitor in Ashcroft, but of late he has traveled via Lytton. He came in from Lillooet Tuesday night, and to a Journal man expressed himself as completely satisfied with what he has accomplished. He believes he has one of the best gold dredges in the world, and his faith in the richness of the gravel has been amply proven.—Ashcroft Journal.

Mr. George McIntosh returned from Poplar on Monday's boat, where he has been for the past fortnight making arrangements for the opening of a first-class grocery store on behalf of Mr. A. McCallum of this city. Mr. McIntosh says that Poplar is beginning to look lively and that by the middle of June there will be thousands of prospectors in the city and around the hills. A man named Ivan Finn has staked a townsite opposite Poplar, on the other side of the creek, and is clearing the brush from it and selling lots, and in time it may become the residential part of the city.—Kaslo Kootenaian.

Harry Johnson, the 3-year-old son of Section Foreman Johnson, has early developed a taste for the classics and oratory, and last Sunday proved his worth as a critic on matters theological. In company with his mother he attended church, and, after listening to the remarks of the preacher very attentively for about fifteen minutes, suddenly rose from his seat, picked up his hat and strode to the pulpit. Looking up at the preacher, who, by this time had turned to him, the little fellow said in a clear soprano voice, "That's enough. I've listened to you too long and I'm tired. I think I'll go home," and he deliberately walked out, beckoning his mother as he went to follow him.—Golden Star.

The full bench of the Supreme Court has denied the appeal of the Bank of Montreal against the decision of Judge Leamy in the mechanics' lien actions against the Winnipeg Mining Company. The point involved is new in mining law, and creates a new precedent that will be noted with keen interest throughout the mining sections. When the Winnipeg Mining Company suspended payments it was indebted to the Bank of Montreal for moneys advanced and to various firms for supplies furnished. In addition, the employees of the company had wages coming, and placed a mechanics' lien on the property. Under this lien proceedings were taken to dispose of everything that would bring in cash to liquidate the unpaid wages. The Bank of Montreal took exception to this, arguing that the lien was only applicable to real estate and buildings owned by the company. Judge Leamy decided, however, that the lien covered all machinery and every asset that could be reached. An appeal was taken from this ruling and argued before the full bench, Charles R. Hamilton appearing on behalf of the Bank of Montreal in support of the appeal.—Rossland Miner.

The Reco has two cars of ore loaded, another piled up at the siding and four sacked at the mine. As very little packing is expected to be done during the summer, unless silver rises, the ore at the mine will be unsacked and piled in a bin. A few men will be steadily employed after the surface water subsides. The work will be confined principally to old No. 1 vein, which is back to its standard of the palmy days. The rich ore body averages over four feet wide, and when the Reco starts shipping again its monthly output will be over 200 tons.—Sandon Standard.

B. C. Riblet of this city has secured the contract for the Metropolitan Gold and Silver Mining Company, which owns the Triune mine near Ferguson, for the erection of a double rope aerial tramway at a cost of $20,000. The tramway will carry the ore from the mine to the wagon road and do away with rawhiding down the mountain side. It must be finished under the terms of the contract by August 4, 1904. The mine is to be equipped with air compressor and drills. The intention is to run a third tunnel to open up the mine at depth. This tunnel will be extended for 400 feet along the vein and will be connected by means of upraise with the upper workings. A small sawmill is to be put in to saw the mine timbering.—Nelson News.

Granted that Engineer Wilmot is the man who deserves great credit for his watchfulness and careful study, Cruickshank, with dogged perseverance and the example set before his men, for days and nights without rest, kept the dam from toppling over until everything was fast and secure. It is almost incredible that such a dam could be constructed, considering the enormous body of water constantly on the increase. The fight was indeed exciting. Still the workers stood at their post, and when the water rose over the adjacent lands the protection works were so secured as to cause no danger. The end of the dam gave way at 4 o'clock on Thursday morning last, when it was no longer required. The rise at this time of the year is unprecedented, and from present indications it is fully evident that the work done will answer the purpose for which it was intended.—Chilliwack Progress.

### PRESS COMMENT.

Canada's sealing fleet on the Pacific consists of 24 vessels, equipped with 92 boats and 164 canoes, and manned by 299 white men and 338 Indians. The total catch these 24 vessels made last year was 14,701 seals, of which 8,161 were in the Behring Sea, 4,630 on the North American coast, and 1,910 in the vicinity of the Pribyloff Islands. This is the industry of which Russia would like to deprive Canada by negotiation with the Imperial Government. Uncle Sam would be a by no means disinterested spectator, for the American sealers would benefit if the Canadians were excluded from competition.—Ottawa Free Press.

The more experience we have of the provincial Lieutenant-Governor business the more we think that a small boy with a rubber stamp would be able to perform all the duties of the office, as they are performed, and at much less cost to the people.—Hamilton Spectator.

Britain can glory in this, that throughout the wide bounds of her Empire the same law that protects the life of the King on his throne also protects the life of his humblest subject. British subjects, "white, brown, black and copper colored," can be counted by the millions, and yet every one of these millions can lie down at night and rise up in the morning in absolute security. Justice may be slow and utterly fail at times, but Britain's power to safeguard the life of her humblest subject is in shining contrast to the futility of United States attempts to shield American citizens.—Toronto Telegram.

Arbor Day was not as generally observed yesterday as it ought to have been. In a section where deciduous trees are none too plentiful a grand work for this and coming generations would be done by setting out shoots that will become a delight to those who love shade in summer, the green of fresh foliage, the tints of autumn leaves, and strength and symmetry at all seasons. However, that which is not done on Arbor Day can be done on other days, and there is no reason why attention should not be given to tree planting whenever it will add to the beauty of the landscape and the season is propitious.—Spokane Spokesman-Review.

We made use of a treaty guaranteeing the integrity of Colombia to dismember that republic by means of a personally conducted revolution which we recognized by telegraph. We kept the State Department open after business hours to conclude and sign a treaty with Bunau-Varilla while General Reyes was on his way to submit arguments against it, and even before Bunau-Varilla's own colleagues from Panama had a chance to land and express their views. We arranged to pay $10,000,000 to Panama under a law which said that the payment should be made to Colombia. Now we are concluding a deal with the officers of the Panama Canal Company behind the backs of the stockholders. A nation with 80,000,000 inhabitants and unlimited power may be tyrannical, but it would seem as if it might dispense with sharp practice, which is the natural recourse of the weak.—New York World.

### THE NEW STENOGRAPHER.

I have a new stenographer—she came to work today,
She told me that she wrote the Graham system,
Two hundred words a minute seemed to her, she said, like play,
And word for word at that—she never missed 'em.
I gave her some dictation—a letter to a man,
And this, as I remember it, was how the letter ran.

"Dear Sir—I have your favor, and in reply would state
That I accept the offer in yours of recent date.
I wish to say, however, that under no condition,
Can I afford to think of your free lance proposition.
I shall begin tomorrow to turn the matter out;
The copy will be ready by Aug. 10, about.
Material of this nature should not be rushed unduly,
Thanking you for your favor, I am yours very truly."
She took it down in shorthand, with apparent ease and grace,
She didn't call me back all in a flurry.
Thought I, "At last I have a girl worth keeping round the place";
Then said, "Now write it out—you needn't harry."
The Remington she tackled—now and then she struck a key,
And after thirty minutes this is what she handed me;

"Deer Sir I have the Feever, and in a Pile I Sit
And I expect the Offer as you Have reasoned it.
I wish to see however That under any condition
Can I for to Think of a free lunch proposition?
I Shall be in tomorrow To., turn the mother out
The cap will be red and Will costt, $10, about.
Mateerial of this nation should not rust
N. Dooley
Thinking you have the Feever I am yours Very truley."

—Milwaukee Sentinel.

The French government has purchased for the national gallery of the Luxembourg two pictures by American artists, Edwin Lord Weeks of Boston and Walter Gay of New York.


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### MEN AND THINGS.

Caleb Powers, the former secretary of state of Kentucky, now under sentence of death for the murder of Governor Goebel, is writing a book concerning his personal experiences during the troublous days of Kentucky's fierce partizan war for control of the state.

Several projects are on foot in England for honoring the memory of the late Charles H. Spurgeon, the great Baptist preacher. One of the most interesting is the plan for buying the large and beautiful estate of Westwood and converting it into a home of rest for ministers and missionaries.

New York Republicans are united in the view that Governor Odell is a fighter of the most uncompromising sort. An up state leader says of him: "Odell commands support because of his strength, even though his followers know that he works solely for his own advancement. None follows his leadership through love. They smile and say fine things in his presence, but curse him when he is gone. But he holds the reins and with a shrewd judgment of men and affairs plays the good and the bad against each other and gives free rein to the hand wagon of reform or applies the brake as he believes the conditions require."

Mark Twain likes to recall and tell of the days when he was a characteristically impecunious reporter. One day he had a note to meet, but labored under a total lack of funds. Half distracted, he was rushing around San Francisco in a feverish hunt for enough cash to tide him over the trying time. He rushed a little too quickly, however, for as he was turning a corner he collided with a little man and overthrew him. The victim regained his feet and yelled: "You do that again and I'll knock you into the middle of next week." "My dear sir," said the apologetic humorist, "do it by all means. If I can get through till then without breaking I'm safe." The originality of this reply struck the stranger, who, after some talk, handed Mark a check for the necessary amount.


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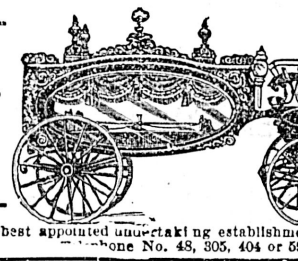

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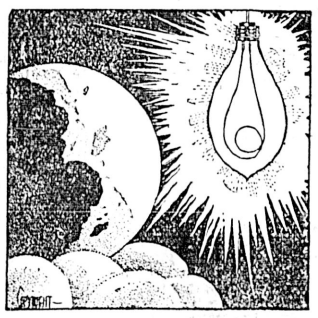

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## Local News.

Delegates Chosen.—S. Reid and P. W. Dempster have been appointed delegates from Columbia Lodge, I. O. O. F., to the grand lodge meeting at Rossland. Frank Taylor and James Pottinger were selected as alternates.

Tulips for Park.—The park committee are indebted to Mrs. Flewin of the Flewin gardens, South Park street, for three beautiful beds of tulips. These beds are from some 500 or 600 bulbs. They are very attractive and much admired.

Head Pupils.—The head pupils of South Park school for April were: Division 1, William Cameron; division 2, Eleanor Robson; division 3, Jessie Thompson; division 4, Flora Allen; division 5, Florence Brown; division 6, Andrew Alexander; division 7, John McKay; division 8, Ida Bateman.

Business Note.—J. J. Cohen, who has been carrying on business at No. 117 Government street as a retail dealer in hats and gents' furnishings, has made an assignment to Thomas G. Mason. A meeting of the creditors will be held at the office of Messrs. Higgins & Elliott on May 17th next.

Island to Co-Operate.—The lumber manufacturers of Victoria and the island generally and the local board of trade is to be asked to unite with Vancouver in an effort to secure from the Ottawa government protection for the industry which is just now in a very depressed state. It is felt that the matter is one which concerns equally every portion of British Columbia.

Shipping Lettuce.—Splendid testimony to the climatic advantages possessed by Victoria in the growing of early vegetables is furnished in the circumstance that a local nursery is now shipping each day a quantity of lettuce to the Seattle market, where it meets with ready sale. The Post-Intelligencer in its market review says the Victoria lettuce is the best which has been yet placed on sale in the Sound city.

Salvation Excursion.—General Booth of the Salvation Army, has arranged a great international convention to take place in London, England, next June. One hundred thousand Salvations from all parts of the world will meet in London. Nearly 300 delegates will go from Canada. The Salvation Army officials are arranging an excursion to England in connection with the above. Parties who anticipate going, can write to Miss Booth, Salvation Army Temple, Toronto, Ont.

Laid at Rest.—The funeral of the late Mrs. Archibald King took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 58 Kingston street. There was a large attendance of sympathizing friends at the house, where services were conducted by Rev. W. Leslie Clay. The casket was covered with flowers, among the floral tributes being a wreath from employees of the Times and the steamer Tees. The following acted as pallbearers: Capt. Butler, S. W. Edwards, W. H. Cullin, T. Booz, T. Barraclough and J. Sheppard.

Meeting on Wednesday.—An emergency meeting of the Victoria Homing Pigeon Association will be held on Wednesday evening next, by which time the secretary, J. Lemm, will have heard from Los Angeles, where he has written regarding the obtaining of paraphernalia necessary for competitions between homing pigeons. Regular meetings will be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Merchants' Guild, to which an invitation is extended to all interested. It is the intention to arrange contests with outside fanciers during the summer months.

Plum for Bostock.—It is announced from Ottawa that Hewitt Bostock will in all likelihood get the vacancy in the Senate caused by the death of Senator Reid. Rumors are afloat locally that George Riley, M. P., would not look with disfavor on any suggestion that he should take the plum, but it is said on the other hand that he is playing for higher stakes. That Mr. Bostock deserves some consideration at the hands of the Liberals is admitted by all who remember how he nearly shattered his financial standing in the fight which he put up in Yale-Cariboo when he first vaulted into the political arena.

West Coast Activity.—Considerable activity is reported in the San Juan district, West coast of the island, at the present time, both the mining and lumbering industries having lately been developing favorably. A number of properties are still being operated by the company represented by H. E. Newton, but what the intentions for this summer are is not known. It is not unlikely, however, that the mines will be opened up on a larger scale. The lumbering business is also looking up, and it is expected that the magnificent timber of San Juan will prove the most valuable asset of the district for many years.

"A Girl From Dixie."—Clean, bright comedy, tuneful musical numbers, capable actors and actresses and an unusual number of pretty girls are elements that go far toward contributing to the success of any musical comedy, and these are claimed as chief characteristics of "A Girl From Dixie," which will be seen at the Victoria theatre on Tuesday next. Harry B. Smith, who is the author of the work, and who regards it as one of the best works he has put forth in some time, has been giving his personal attention to the piece since its premier appearance, and the success wherever presented is expected to be repeated here. One of its chief characteristics is said to be certain unity of action that is generally lacking in the average musical comedy.

Attracted to City.—That Mr. Cuthbert's tour through California accomplished much in advertising the attractions of Victoria is shown by the fact O. A. Nickerson of Nova Scotia, who is now in the city became interested in seeing the place because of having noticed an interview with Mr. Cuthbert while sojourning in California. He thinks Victoria excells the famous California resorts, with, perhaps the exception of Pasadena.

To Book Attractions.—Manager John Cort, of the Grand Opera House, Seattle, has left on his annual business trip to New York. He will book the attractions for the season of 1904-05 at the theatres, fifty-one in number, under the booking control of the Northwestern Theatrical Association, and situated in Washington, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Utah and British Columbia. Mr. Cort is accompanied by E. R. Ricketts, manager of the Vancouver Opera House.

The Alsek District.—Some of the Sound papers are busy "knocking" the Alsek district, but nevertheless encouraging reports are coming down. Advices by mail from Bullion report that Dave Collier is rocking dirt running as high as $1 to the pan. Scores of men are engaged on the lower part of the creek and in the timber belt around its mouth in whipsawing lumber, while others, with dogs, are busy freighting lumber and supplies up the creek.

The Fall Fair.—A meeting of the transportation committee of the Victoria Agricultural Association was held yesterday at the office of the secretary, R. H. Swinnerton. Mr. George L. Courtenay occupied the chair and there were also present C. S. Baxter and Hamilton Abbot. Full arrangements were made for handling the big crowds expected to visit the fair. Excursions at reduced rates will be run from all neighboring points.

Old Boys' Reunion.—The people of Chatham, Ont., propose to have an Old Boys' Reunion from the 30th of May to the 5th of June, inclusive, during which time there will be open house and all old-time residents of Chatham returning at that time will be handed the keys of the city. As is expressed in the circular letter making the announcement, "There will be things doing." This will at least be interesting news to Chatham boys, many of whom are scattered throughout British Columbia.

Postmen's Pay.—The Victoria postmen have received an intimation that the petitions which had been filed at Ottawa from all points of the Dominion in favor of an increase in salaries are to have favorable treatment, and that better wages will be paid at an early date. The postmen, one of the hardest-working bodies of public servants in Canada, are fully deserving of this tardy recognition at the hands of a government which claims that the treasury is bursting with money.

Strength of Militia.—A copy of the new "Establishment of Canadian Militia, Exclusive of Permanent Forces," in which provision is made for the strength of the local corps in times of peace and war, has been received by officers of the Fifth Regiment. During peace—Officers, 36; staff-sergeants and sergeants, 35; trumpeters, 6; rank and file, 271. Total, 348. During war—Officers, 36; staff-sergeants, 36; trumpeters, 6; rank and file, 559. Total, 636.

Thoughtful Entertainment.—Royal Templars of Temperance, Victoria Council, gave an interesting entertainment last night at the Old Men's Home. The chair was taken by W. H. Gibson, grand councillor, and the programme was as follows: Recitation, Miss E. Yeo; song, Mr. Hughes; recitation, Miss Forall; song, Master Yeo; recitation, Mrs. Hales; hymn; recitation, Mrs. Gleason. A magic lantern exhibition by Mr. Ritchie was then given, after which refreshments were supplied and a very pleasant evening brought to a close.

Septic Tanks.—At next Monday night's meeting of the city council it is anticipated that instructions will be given for the construction of a septic tank in James bay district. It is the intention to construct probably five or six of these tanks in order that those areas which cannot be sewered by the gravitation system may be adequately dealt with. The cost, of course, will depend upon the size of the tank, approximately running from two thousand to four thousand dollars.

Grouse Seized.—Messrs. M. and L. Young have been summoned to appear before Magistrate Hall in the Police court on Monday next. Acting on information supplied by the Vancouver Island Fish and Game Club, Sergeant Redgrave, of the city police, visited the New England hotel and seized two large tubs containing grouse. It is the intention of the club to prosecute all cases in which it is alleged game is sold out of season. It has a standing offer of $25 reward for information that will lead to the conviction of any person violating the Game Act.

Rock Bay Causeway.—On Monday next the Rock Bay causeway undertaking will be commenced. City Engineer Topp expects that the task will require six weeks or two months. There is a formidable hole to be filled, being 500 feet long and eighteen feet deep. It is the intention to make the roadway the same width as the street, sixty feet. Fourteen thousand cubic yards of filling will be required. The tramway company's rails have been laid to the scene of the proposed work, and immediately on its completion the new route will be adopted.

Celebration Fund.—Following are additional subscriptions to the Victoria Day celebration fund: Bank of Montreal, $25; Bank of British North America, $25; Imperial Bank, $15; Royal Bank, $15; Pooley, Luxton & Pooley, $10; Hudson's Bay Co., $10; T. C. Jones, $5; Harry Morton, $5; Stevedoring Company, Limited, $5; Lenz & Leiser, $5; Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, $5; Giant Powder Co., $5; Oliver & Jackson, $5; J. W. Ambery, $2.50; F. G. Richards, $2.50; Shallcross & Macaulay, $2.50; C. J. Prior, $2.50; J. Braverman, $1.00.

Branch at Comox.—Two gentlemen, both high officials of the Royal Bank of Canada, took a quiet trip to Cumberland and through Comox valley last week, says the Cumberland News. Ostensibly on a fishing trip, it is an open secret that these gentlemen are visiting the town and district as secretly as possible as a preliminary towards starting a branch bank here, being induced to view the scene from the actions of the city council with regard to the matter. It is to be hoped that they meet with sufficient encouragement to cause them to give a favorable report to headquarters.

A Rough Trip.—Word has been received of the safe arrival at Atlin of a number of Victorians who have taken employment with the Pine Creek Power Company, of that district. They had one of the roughest trips on record, having to walk for miles through snow, slush and water reaching the knees. E. M. Whyte, describing his experience, writes as follows: "It is the roughest trip I ever made in my life, and I would not like to have to do it again so late in the season. In the four miles it took us two and a quarter hours to make, two different men had to leave their empty sleighs, as their dog teams could not pull them through."

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New History of B. C.—Father Morice's forthcoming book, "The History of the Northern Interior of British Columbia," will be published by Briggs, of Toronto, in a few weeks.

Totems for St. Louis.—The steamer Nell, on her last trip from the North, brought down four huge totem poles belonging to the Haida tribe of Indians, consigned to the World's Fair at St. Louis. The Nell took the poles over to Tacoma, whence they go east via the Northern Pacific.

Closing Ball.—Mrs. Dickinson's and Mrs. Simpson's juvenile pupils give their closing ball this evening in Assembly hall, Fort street, which is prettily decorated for the occasion. A very pleasing programme will be given by the pupils, after which adults will take the floor. Finn's orchestra has been engaged and a most enjoyable is time looked forward to by all who will be present.

New Fish Guano.—At last a fish guano that does not smell offensively, and is not too expensive, has been manufactured from the salmon offal of the canneries. The guano is turned out at a factory on the Fraser river. The Brackman-Ker Milling Company has been appointed agent for the province, and this fact alone shows that the guano must be of first-class quality.

Dallas Road Wall.—In the estimates for the current year the council has made provision for the extension of the Dallas road protecting wall. The piece already built has given splendid satisfaction, not having developed the slightest defect. Another two thousand dollars will be expended on the improvement this year, but a further expenditure will be necessary before the drive will be entirely safeguarded.

The Lenora Deal.—The following notice was yesterday sent to each of the creditors of the Lenora, Mount Sicker, Copper Mining Company, Limited: "A meeting of the creditors of the above mentioned company will be held in the court house on Saturday, the 7th inst., at 10:30 a.m., to consider cable from the official liquidator altering proposed terms of sale, as follows: 8 per cent. instead of 6 per cent. preference; working capital reduced to £30,000; expenses of flotation, etc., increased to £30,000; common stock reduced to £25,000; total capital reduced to £275,000.

A Potato Famine.—Good potatoes are very scarce in British Columbia at the present time and prices are very likely to soar away up to a record price before the arrival of the new California and local crop. Ashcroft and Vernon potatoes are quoted at $30 per ton. On Puget Sound the same condition of affairs exist, or in fact matters are even worse as Yakimas and White rivers are quoted as high as $38 per ton. Floods in California have delayed the crop of new potatoes, as many fields have had to be replanted and it will be about two months before any serviceable potatoes can be received from that source and prices will then rule high.

The Old Story.—The spectacle of a gang of corporation workmen busy yesterday at the task of tearing up the splendid block pavement on Broad street, at the rear of Messrs. Nichols & Renouf's store, arrested the attention of pedestrians, who wondered greatly at the wisdom and forethought of civic officials which made such a step necessary. In explanation of the action, it is mentioned that it is done to get a connection with the water main so as to give an improved service to the Dawson block. Regret is general that an arrangement could not have been made which would have obviated the necessity of tearing up the pavement.

Lecture Tonight.—There is every indication that there will be a large audience at the City hall tonight to hear Mr. Herbert Cuthbert speak of his impressions of California, and to see his beautiful views, not only of that state but of Victoria and surroundings. His Worship Mayor Barnard, president of the Tourist Association, will preside. Arrangements have been made for a very powerful lantern, and it will be so placed that it will not interfere with the view of the audience, and the screen has also been arranged so that as many of the audience as possible will get a good view. Many of the pictures will be the same as those shown in San Francisco, when he spoke to nearly two thousand people, although, of course, his address will be altogether different. Those who go early will naturally get the best seats, and as it will be difficult to seat people after the lights are out and as the regulations governing such matters are very stringent, it is possible that the doors will be closed for good at 8:15, and anyone arriving after that time may not get in.

"Historic Landmarks."—Quite the most interesting—to Victorians at least—of the many articles which have appeared in the magazine press from the pen of Miss Agnes Deans Cameron, is that given in the May number of The Westminster. It is entitled "The Historic Landmarks of Victoria," and is embellished with a number of rare illustrations and portraits, there being shown "Steamer Beaver in Victoria Harbor," "Hudson's Bay Company's Fort, Victoria, 1843-1864," "South Bastion, Old Fort Victoria," "Central Portion Old Government Building," "Carey Castle," "The New Parliament Buildings," "The Old Town by Moonlight, showing arches of James Bay Bridge," and photos of Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge and Hon. J. S. Helmcken. To the Victorian anything dealing with the early life of his city possesses a peculiar fascination, and he will find in Miss Cameron's article that which will give him rare pleasure. To the unfortunate to whom Victoria is but as yet a point upon the map, it will engender an aspiration to behold a spot at once so beautiful and pregnant with fascinating historical associations. Historical and reminiscent, Miss Cameron's latest effort to entertain the magazine-reading public is one in which she has made the most of. And to say this is to say that a copy of the May number of The Westminster should be perused by every Victorian.

### CELEBRATION NOTES.

Finance Committee Will Meet This Afternoon to Make Appropriations.

Yesterday afternoon the meeting called of the finance committee of the Victoria Day celebration was not held on account of the non-attendance of the members. Secretary Moresby has requested that the members meet this afternoon at the city hall at 5 o'clock as it is most important that the appropriations should be made as soon as possible. The following gentlemen constitute the committee: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Vincent, Stewart and Beckwith and Messrs. Anton Henderson, E. E. Lecson, R. Swinerton and J. S. Yates.

Last evening the posters for advertising the celebration at Seattle were sent off. The advertising committee are sparing no pains to extensively advertise the celebration at both Seattle and Tacoma, and it is expected that a large number of visitors can be induced to come to Victoria for the two days.

### SERGEANTS' MESS MEET.

Chief Non-commissioned Officers Fifth Regiment in Semi-annual Session.

Last evening, in their messroom at the Drill hall, the sergeants' mess of the Fifth Regiment held their half-yearly meeting. There was a good attendance of members and business was proceeded with at once. The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows:

President of the mess, Regimental Sergt.-Major Mulcahy; secretary-treasurer, Acting Sergt. Earle; committee of management, Staff Sergt. Lettice, Company Sergt.-Major Colquhoun and Sergt. Richdale; auditors, Company Sergt.-Major Boorman and Company Sergt.-Major Cavin.

The secretary's accounts were presented and showed the mess to be in very good standing. The accounts were adopted.

The proposed excursion of the regiment was discussed, and a suitable appropriation from the funds of the mess was made to the excursion fund.

This was all the business of public interest.

### FRUIT MARKS' ACT.

Prosecution Yesterday in Police Court by Dominion Fruit Inspector.

Yesterday morning, before the stipendiary magistrate the case against T. R. Smith of Sidney for the alleged infraction of the Dominion Fruit Marks' Act, 1902, was heard. The case for the prosecution was personally conducted by Mr. Maxwell Smith, of Vancouver, Dominion fruit inspector.

The information was to the effect that Smith sold seven boxes of apples to Slugget & Co., Yates street, which were faced. Several witnesses were examined who proved the case against Smith. He had packed the apples with good ones on top and inferior fruit underneath.

The fruit inspector requested the magistrate to make the fine the minimum that the law demanded and he generously waived all mileage and expenses for himself, not desiring to be too hard on the defendant. He was fined 25 cents per box and costs.

This is the first case of the kind in Victoria, and it is hoped that it will have the effect intended, viz., to prevent the growers from palming off inferior fruit on the dealers and general public by putting the very good fruit on the face or top and inferior fruit underneath.

Seen last evening the inspector said that at New Westminster last January he had, in an address he delivered there, told the growers that if they took as much trouble to comply with the law as some of them do now to evade it, it would pay them much better in the long run.

### COMFORT FOR OLD PEOPLE.

Much of the suffering of the aged is due to the kidney derangements which lead to backache, rheumatism, lumbago and body pains. Dr. Chase's Kidney-Liver Pills bring comfort to the old folks by keeping the kidneys healthy and active, and so eliminating from the body the poisonous waste matter which causes pains, aches and fatal disease.

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Weekly Dance.—The usual weekly dance given by the members of the R. E. Quadrille Club was held last night at Fives' Court, Work Point barracks. It was the last dance of the season and was largely attended. A most enjoyable time was had.

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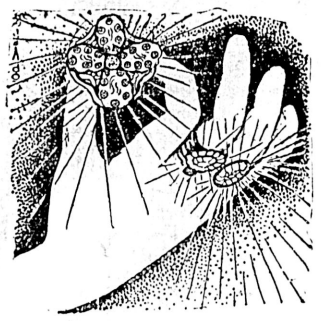

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The management at Le Petite Crystal Theatre, Dawson Block, are deserving of much credit for the high standard of excellence maintained in the performances at this popular little playhouse. Although the programme undergoes a complete change each week, yet it would appear that each succeeding week's show excels in excellence that of its predecessors and this week's programme is by no means behind. Any one of the numbers in this week's programme would fully recompense the small outlay to see the whole show. No one should miss seeing the show. *

Are you handy with tools? If you are it will pay you to get a few good ones, they will save you money. Hammers, 59c. to $1.10. Screw Drivers, 10c. to $1.75. Braces, 40c. to $2.25. Saws, $1 to $3. Squares, 50c. to $2.00. Planes, 25c. up and lots of other useful handy tools at reasonable prices at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 80 Douglas street. *

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# How They Cope With Big Fires

## Valuable Lessons Learned In Baltimore, Rochester and Toronto.

## Insurance Companies Studying How Best to Protect a Modern City.

The recent great fires in Baltimore, Rochester and Toronto have supplied builders, architects and insurance experts with material for studying how best to protect a modern city from the ravages of a conflagration, says the Toronto News. In the two cities first named some valuable lessons in the art of fire proofing have been learned. In Toronto the necessity for improved protective measures has been clearly demonstrated. The experience of Baltimore was that a well constructed fireproof more was a well constructed fireproof building in which the steel members are properly covered with terra cotta of two inches in thickness will withstand the intensest heat that can be generated in a great fire. The buildings of the Continental, Union and Maryland Trust Companies stood erect in a wilderness of ruins 140 acres in extent. The contents were destroyed completely, but the walls and floors were unscathed.

Opportunity was afforded also to make comparisons between the different forms of construction. The resisting powers of cement and terra cotta tiles were brought out. The relative resistance of stone and brick was shown clearly, and the necessity of window protection demonstrated in a manner that has satisfied the experts that no building can be considered absolutely safe without it. Writing on this subject, Mr. Carydon T. Purdy says: "A steel frame building surrounded by smaller structures of a wood interior construction cannot be made proof against external fires with ordinary windows. In such cases windows must be built in an unusual manner or they must be protected. The truth of this proposition has been demonstrated in many other fires. Iron frames and iron sash glazed with wire glass would stop any fire that did not melt the glass. Iron frames, iron sash with ordinary glass and heavy outside iron shutters would probably be yet more effective and undoubtedly more acceptable. Such shutters in the rear of court walls should be closed every night, but on a street front there ought to be sufficient warning to permit of the closing of the shutters after the fire has started in the other buildings."

This opinion has a special bearing upon the Toronto fire. It is the opinion of some who watched the progress of the flames that protection upon the windows of the warehouses would have arrested the fire sufficiently to have given the firemen a chance to get it under control. In Baltimore the spread of the flames into and beyond the skyscrapers was due to the absence of that protection. The buildings of ordinary construction were wiped out as clean as if they had never existed. The same is true of Toronto and Rochester. In the latter city the only really fireproof structure was connected with a smaller non-fireproof store by wide arches, which supplied a clear way for the flames and brought about the destruction of the stock, though the building remained.

So far as Toronto is concerned, the only lessons to be learned from the experience of the American cities is how to fireproof. In this regard to experts who have investigated the conditions in Baltimore insist upon the enclosing of elevators in terra cotta fire-proof walls. Mayor Cutler, of Rochester, an architect of note, puts that forward as a prime necessity of any effective building law. It is a point of importance and one that will impress the citizens of Toronto when they remember that to the elevator has been due the rapid spread of nearly every great fire in the city. In the recent conflagration it is supposed that the flames were conducted to the upper flats of the E. & S. Currie building by the elevator shaft.

On the question of general construction the remarks of Foster Warner, architect of the Granite building, Rochester, may be quoted. He says: "I believe that the only fireproof building is the one that has been constructed of material that has been created by fire. In other words, brick and terra cotta are made by fire. Consequently it stands to reason that these materials will better stand an extreme degree of heat than stone or concrete, which have never been subjected to a high temperature." This opinion is opposed by the cement men. But there are seven mute witnesses standing in Baltimore to the effectiveness of terra cotta protection for structural steel.

Mr. W. T. Bailey is authority for the statement that the Rochester fire was caused by imperfect electric wiring. That is another danger to be guarded against with greater care than has been exercised. It is not clear that the origin of the Toronto fire was not due to the electric wires. In any case it is well known that since electricity has come into general use there have been many mysterious fires. To what extent these are attributable to wiring is purely a matter of speculation, but the general belief is that it is a fruitful cause of fire.

The disaster in this city has revealed many weak points that must be remedied if we are to escape a repetition of the recent severe loss. In the first place there must be a close supervision over the erection of factories and warehouses. It is absurd to allow the flimsy structures that were in the burned area to exist in so congested a district. Thicker walls, fireproof roofs, protected windows and over four stories fireproof construction should be rigorously demanded. On the one hand every possible precaution to prevent the spread of fire after it has taken hold must be insisted upon. On the other hand, a more ample water service is a requisite. In the big cities across the border auxiliary water systems are being installed for the purpose of affording increased fire protection. It has been found that fire engines are not able to cope with those great outbreaks, and more effective means of throwing water upon the fire must be found. In Buffalo Philadelphia, Detroit and New York this system has been applied and found to work unsatisfactorily.

The combination for efficient fire protection is this: High buildings must be made fireproof by the most approved methods of construction; all buildings of four stories containing inflammable stocks should have a sprinkler system, and protection for the windows; the roofs of the lower buildings especially must be made fireproof and skylights properly protected from falling embers; the restricting of the area under one roof when filled with inflammable goods. Unless these precautions are observed there will be no surety that the same heavy calamity will not recur. The duty of enforcing these requirements rests primarily with the municipal authorities. The insurance companies can assist. By granting discounts to those who provide protection for their buildings a constant incentive would be given for the erection of fireproof warehouses and factories, and their equipment with the most approved devices for retarding the spread of fire.


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# Would Retire From Politics

## W. W. B. McInnes, M. P. P., For Alberni, Has Another Aspiration.

## Would Like County Court Judgeship— P. S. Lampman An Aspirant.

The Alberni correspondent of the Colonist gave publicity the other day to a little secret that has been known for some time more or less widely in Victoria and Nanaimo, namely, that Mr. W. W. B. McInnes, the member for Alberni, is about to retire from politics.

The members of the Victoria bar have for years urged upon the Dominion government the necessity of appointing a county court judge for Victoria. Hitherto the work of the County court there has been done by Supreme court judges whenever they could find the time, but as there are scarcely enough of them to go around the courts the holding of which is their first business, county court work at the capital has for a long time been in a very unsatisfactory condition.

The Dominion government has consented, therefore, to the appointment of a County court judge for Victoria, and it is understood that Mr. McInnes will be nominated, says the Nanaimo Free Press. While politics in this part of the world will lose a very striking figure and Mr. McInnes' Nanaimo friends will lose one who has the happy knack of being persona grata to everybody, even his opponents, they will nevertheless congratulate him upon his accession to the dignity of a seat on the County court bench.

Mr. McInnes' retirement will mean that the provincial government will have two bye-elections, but whether that for Alberni will come off before the summer session or not cannot be stated.

Rev. E. G. Taylor, of Alberni, is mentioned as the probable Liberal nominee for the vacancy.

As was mentioned in the Colonist yesterday morning, the Victoria Bar Association has taken action calculated to head off the aspiration of Mr. McInnes, passing a resolution which was forwarded to Ottawa by wire, urging the appointment of a county court judge chosen from among the practitioners at Victoria. It is understood that Mr. P. S. Lampman, judge of the Small Debts' court, is being pressed to apply for the position with every prospect of success. Mr. Lampman is prominent in the ranks of the local Liberals and his selection would meet with general favor.

### PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle: Mr. Ballman, T. W. Gaston, Mr. Bainbridge, Mrs. Smith, Tom Whalen, Mr. Hull, Edw. Bennett, Judge Moore, Mr. MacDougall, R. D. Jamieson, R. J. Burns, Jas. Beveridge, G. F. Bullen, Mrs. Bullen, P. J. Ferguson, Mrs. B. L. Simmons, Mr. Scott and son, A. Schofield, A. Tackett, H. B. Thompson, John Hepburn, John Stinson, Cecil Oloson, W. C. Michell, Mr. McKillop, Miss Kelly, Miss Golden, Alfred Buckley, E. R. Downs, Mr. Allen, Mr. Wells, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. M. F. Lipsett.

Passengers per steamer Princess Victoria from Vancouver: M. J. Anderson, W. Ground, H. L. Clinker, G. D. Mallett, J. Kermichel, H. Fuller, Mrs. Poindestre, C. A. Stoess, C. Julian, Mrs. Philpot, W. H. Durand, Dr. Tunstall, C. M. Marpole, Dr. Brydon-Jack, H. Dupre, Miss Criddel, W. F. Mudd and wife, D. Spencer, Miss James, Miss Renwick, Miss Renwick, A. S. Powell, F. L. Wilkinson, Prof. Dougon Jouty, W. H. Cooper, W. Casey, A. Perterson, D. J. Beattie, P. Comerford, Rev. D. McRae, D. F. Dickson, C. Adams, J. J. Bannerman, R. J. Nicolson, Mrs. Cortere, Miss B. Lesk, Mrs. F. Popham, A. Auterey, J. Bowser, W. Lawler and wife, A. Newman, C. F. Hammond, F. Jackson.

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# THE CENTENNIAL SUNDAY SCHOOL

## Interesting Reports Presented On Occasion of the Anniversary Services.

On Sunday the anniversary of the Centennial Methodist Sunday school was celebrated with appropriate ceremonies, there being a large attendance of scholars and an excellent programme gone through with. The church was beautifully decorated for the occasion. The following reports were presented and adopted:

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

In all respects the record for the year which has just closed has been most satisfactory and encouraging.

Our numbers have been greatly increased during the year and are now the highest ever reached by the school at any time.

We have at present a total enrollment of 300 members, of whom the distribution is as follows:

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| Teachers and officers | 40 |
| Number in adult classes | 10 |
| Number in intermediate classes | 184 |
| Number in primary class | 66 |
| | 300 |

The cradle roll department has become an important factor in our school, and under the careful supervision of our energetic superintendent and her assistant the numbers have greatly increased. The enrollment has now reached the very satisfactory total of 99 members. Of these 11 have been transferred to the Sunday school, 8 have removed to other places and 3 have been removed by death, leaving an actual membership of 77. Each member receives a birthday card suitable to their different ages.

It might be mentioned here that Centennial school has reason to congratulate itself on having the largest cradle roll in the city. The following is an average of the year's record for one Sunday:

Average total attendance for one Sunday, 209.

The highest record of attendance in each of the several departments for any one Sunday is as follows:

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| Officers and teachers | 35 |
| Bible class | 18 |
| Girls | 80 |
| Boys | 86 |
| Primary class | 53 |

Largest total number present on one day 258.

| | Verses |
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| During the year the boys recited | 5,872 |
| Girls | 6,339 |
| Primary class | 307 |
| Total | 12,518 |

During the year the boys contributed $67.49 to the school fund; girls, $70.55; primary class, $17.55; Bible class, $12.35; the largest collection on one Sunday being $7.50.

Your attention is especially called to the fact that our reports for the year just closed have considerably surpassed those of former years.

The same satisfactory and encouraging conditions present themselves in the spiritual progress of the school. At present 67 of our scholars are members of the church.

A Temperance Army was formed in connection with our work, and we are pleased to note that 154 of the members of the school are now pledged abstainers.

Considerable attention has been directed to the Bible question in the school, and very gratifying results indeed have been obtained. We have held two open sessions this year for the discussion of the Bible and its distribution as carried out by the British and Foreign Bible Society.

Our school contributed the sum of $14 to the centenary fund of the Bible society and joined in the international services of the society held in March of this year. In February, 1903, there were but seven scholars using their own Bibles in the school, and at this time an appeal was made to the scholars, urging them to bring their own Bibles to the school. Those who were not in a position to procure Bibles of their own were supplied by the school. The number of scholars who use their own Bibles in school at present is 173. The average number for one Sunday since the inception of the plan is 123. The introduction of such an improvement in the school is indeed worthy of notice and the benefit which will accrue from it are obvious to all.

At Christmas time we held our annual treat for the schoars, and made a special effort to select gifts which would be suitable for all. One hundred and thirty-six books were distributed among the larger scholars, and toys and dolls purchased for the smaller children. The sum of $62.40 was thus expended, and we believe the scholars were well pleased with the visit of Santa Claus.

In addition to the presentations by the school, each member of our primary class was made the happy possessor of a copy of the New Testament through the kindness of our superintendent, Mr. Shakespeare. This was indeed a happy thought, as each child of this class will become accustomed from its early youth to carry the Bible to school and learn to honor the Word of God.

The children with the memory of the past good times fresh in their minds are now looking forward to our annual picnic on Dominion Day.

During the year the following periodicals have been subscribed for: Pleasant Hours, 150 copies weekly; Happy Days, 50 copies semi-weekly; Sunbeam, 50 copies semi-weekly; Teachers' Studies, 36 copies quarterly.

In the above report of the work of the school during the past year we note with pleasure that owing to the untiring efforts of the diligent staff of workers which we as a school possess, a steady advancement has resulted in all branches of the work. The teachers have during the past year so far surpassed any previous record in punctuality and regularity that we can sincerely commend them for their faithful work.

M. W. THOMAS, Secy.


Have you a Refrigerator? Just drop in and see the large variety we have on show for this season. We think we have the best kind on the market; but we would like your opinion. They are priced from $12.00 upwards, at Weiler Bros., Government street, Victoria, B. C.


"My singing was just dreadful tonight," said the soubrette; "did you notice how my voice broke on the top notes?" "Don't worry about it, dear," replied the prima donna; "your tights were very becoming." —Ex.

# OPERATION OF THE PACIFIC CABLE

## In the Senate Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell Asks For Statement on Project.

In the senate on April 25th Hon. Sir Mackenzie Bowell moved for a return, showing the earnings and expenses of operating the Pacific cable since its opening for business. The number of words transmitted each way, distinguishing ordinary messages from government and press messages. The gross earnings each month. The total expense incurred each month, in repairs, in maintenance, in interest, in sinking fund, in salaries. Together with copies of all correspondence relating to any difficulties which may have arisen in connection with the working and operating of the said Pacific cable. His reason for making the motion arose from the fact that Mr. H. D. Ross, commercial agent in Australia, in his report for December last, spoke of Mr. Reynold's return to England at that time, and the unsatisfactory condition of affairs in connection with the Pacific cable. He thought the secretary of state would be surprised at the action of those who were managing the state-owned cable. He referred to this matter last session. He pointed out that the deficit was very heavy. As was stated, that deficit was increasing. Canada would have to pay a large share of it. In view of this he thought that the people of Canada should have the above information. He had always thought that if this cable were not managed in the interest of the Eastern Extension Company, it was so managed as not to become a paying concern. The government, he thought, might not have full information, but he thoubht they would concur in the passage of the motion. He urged that the government of Canada should take decisive action to insist upon this cable being managed in a business manner. There was no reason why a cable owned by Great Britain, Australia and Canada should not pay when the Eastern Extension Company had paid so largely. There was no reason why Great Britain, the colonies and the Motherland should not be done by this cable. Yet the business was such that business men could not get their messages until the business of the day was over.

Hon. Mr. Scott alluded to the great interest Sir Mackenzie had taken in the cable since its inception. During its first year it could hardly be expected that the cable would pay, but owing to the working of the Eastern Extension Company, Canada's share of the deficit was about $125,000. This was far too much. The cable was an excellent one. One great difficulty arose from the unfair advantages given the Eastern Extension Company by some of the Australian colonies, especially Western Australia. Fortunately there were some men of honor in the Australian senate who remembered the initiation of the scheme, and so the bargains made with the Eastern Extension were thrown out. He had seen other remarks like those of Mr. Ross, but found the real cause for the deficit arose from the advantages enjoyed by the Eastern Extension Company. He thought the Australians should remember that the Pacific cable had forced the Eastern Extension Company to reduce their rates one-half. There was no doubt that the defeat of the Pacific cable was an accomplished fact long before it was started. He thought a brighter prospect was heralded by the action of the Australian upper house. He hoped that in another year matters would be in a better state.

Sir Mackenzie Bowell thought Mr. Scott's remarks justified his action. His only reason for making the motion was to get the cable into a better position. His own impression was that the Western Australian agreement was thrown out altogether.

Hon. Mr. Ellis wished the total cost to Canada to the present time included.

Sir Mackenzie said that was already before parliament.


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### PERSONALS.

J. T. Croot is very ill at his residence on Discovery street. His condition is considered serious.

C. M. Marpole was a passenger from Vancouver by the Charmer yesterday evening.

Dr. Brydon-Jack of Vancouver is in the city.

D. Spencer was a passenger from the Mainland yesterday evening by the Princess Victoria.

Prof. Dougour Jouty came down from the Mainland yesterday evening.

Rev. D. McRae returned from the Mainland yesterday.

A. Newman of New York has arrived in the city to take an important position in the designing department of the Victoria Machinery Depot.

Mrs. Frank Higgins returned from Seattle by the Princess Beatrice yesterday afternoon.

K. J. Burns returned from the Sound by the Princess Beatrice yesterday.

G. F. Bullen and Mrs. Bullen were passengers from the Sound by the Princess Beatrice yesterday.

H. B. Thompson, manager of Turner, Beeton & Co., returned from Seattle yesterday.

John Hepburn was a passenger inwards by the Princess Beatrice yesterday afternoon.

Hon. Charles Wilson, K. C., has left for a trip to the interior.

Miss Mary McMillan, daughter of John McMillan of this city, is seriously ill at Burrard Sanitarium, Vancouver.

Henry Waller of Cumberland has left the latter point and will again take up his residence in this city.

Registered at the Hotel Victoria are: E. Barger, Vancouver; E. W. Molander, T. G. Butler, E. Bernett, A. Schofield, Andrew Hackett, Seattle; James G. Moore, Spokane.


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Patients will hear of something to their advantage, by writing to the Diabetic Institute, St. Dunstan's Hill, London, E. C.

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Naval and Indian War Canoe Races, Four-oared Amateur Senior and Junior, B. C. Championship. The warships of the Pacific squadron will be open to visitors.

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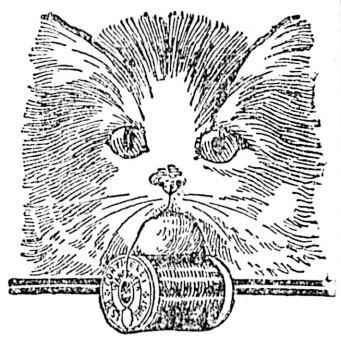
VICTORIA, B. C.



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One inevitable result of every important change in the school curriculum or text books is to incapacitate parents for teaching their children. The value of supplementary teaching at home is fully recognized, and changes should not be made except for reasons more cogent than the philosophic musings of experts.


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| From Victoria to Goldstream and return— | |
| Adults | $ 50 |
| Children under 12 years | 25 |
| From Victoria to Shawnigan Lake and return— | |
| Adults | 75 |
| Children under 12 | 40 |
| From Victoria to Duncan's and return— | |
| Adults | 1.00 |
| Children under 12 | 50 |

Trains leave Victoria at 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York, May 5.—The sluggishness and narrowness of the stock market was even more notable today than on previous days this week. United States Steel preferred was somewhat relieved from the pressure to which it had been subjected, and Pennsylvania was rather freely sold with the dividend off. This stock held firmly yesterday in face of the poor showing of earnings, presumably on account of the desire of holders to collect the cash dividend and from the unwillingness of the bears to remain short of the stock over the dividend period since they are obliged to pay the accruing dividend. There was only such buying of stocks as seemed necessary to prevent the sagging tendency which is normal to a stagnant market. The news from London of the floatation of a Japanese loan of $50,000,000, of which New York is expected to take half, was accepted as another evidence of a real abundance of capital resources here, and the money market was quite unaffected by these prospective claims upon it.

The weather reports were favorable to the crops, but the Illinois state report on poor winter wheat was of more influence as was the case with the Missouri state report yesterday. The firm tone of United States Steel preferred was helped by reports of the purchase of steel rails by some of the railroads, but the stock gave away slightly after an announcement that the Shelby Iron Company would refer dividends.

There was more variety in the bond market than in stocks, but the tone was irregular. Total sales par value, $2,430,000; U. S. Old 4's coupon declined 3.8 per cent. on call.

New York, May 5.—Close: Am Copper 47⅝; Amn Loco pfd 82; Amn Sugar 127¼; Car Fdy 17; Anaconda 76; Atch 72¼; pfd 93; B & O 78¾; B R T 45⅝; Gen Elec 157; L & N 107⅛; Mo Pac 91¾; Soo 62½; pfd 118; Met 109⅜; C & A 37½; Can Pac 117¼; C & N W 171⅜; St Paul 143½; Colo Sou 15⅞; Con Gas 208¾; Colo F & I 1st pfd 70⅝; D & H 157; N Y C 115½; Erie 24½; 1st pfd 63½; N Y O & W 21½; Pac Mail 27; Penna 114⅛; Pressed Steel pfd 70; Peo Gas xd 97¼; P & R 43¼; R I Certs 22½; Sou Ry 21; pfd 83⅞; Sou Pac 47⅜; Twin 94; U S L 6⅞; U S S 10⅛; pfd 55⅝; U S R 17⅜; U P 84½; Wis Cent 17⅝; pfd 39; C P R London 120⅝; MacKay com 25 and 23⅝; pfd 68½ and 67¾.

New York, May 5.—Pig iron quiet. Copper firm. Lead quiet. Tin quiet. Spelter quiet.

Chicago, May 5.—Wheat, May 89¾; July 85⅝; Old 56⅝; Sept 80¼ to ⅝; Old 81½ to ⅝; Dec 80 to ⅛. Corn, May 46⅞; July 48⅛ to ¾; Aug 48⅛; Sept 48¼; Dec 44⅛; May (1905) 44. Oats, May 41¼; July 38⅞ to 39; Sept 30⅝.

New York, May 5.—Money on call easy at 1¼ to ½; ruling rate and last loan 1½ Time loans firmer; 60 days 2¼; 90 days 2¾; six months 3 to 3¾.

London, May 5.—Lead £11 17s. 6d.

London, May 5.—Consols for money 89 9-16, due for account 89 11-16.

### THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office,
Victoria, May 5—8 p. m.

SYNOPSIS.

A vast area of low pressure has developed over the province and the Northwest Territories; rain has fallen along the coast from Port Simpson to the Columbia river, and light showers in the Territories. There has not been much change in temperature except in Manitoba, where it has been cooler.

TEMPERATURE.

| | Min. | Max. |
|---|---|---|
| Victoria | 43 | 48 |
| New Westminster | 38 | 52 |
| Kamloops | 30 | 52 |
| Barkerville | 18 | 48 |
| Fort Simpson | 32 | 48 |
| Dawson | 34 | 50 |
| Calgary | 26 | 54 |
| Winnipeg | 56 | 68 |
| Portland, Ore. | 38 | 52 |
| San Francisco | 48 | 62 |

FORECASTS

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific Time) Friday:

Victoria and Vicinity: Moderate to fresh winds; unsettled with showers and little change in temperature.

Lower Mainland: Light to moderate winds; unsettled with showers and stationary or higher temperature.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p. m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p. m.

THURSDAY, MAY 5.

| Deg. | | Deg. |
|---|---|---|
| 5 a.m. ....44 | Mean | ....45 |
| Noon ....45 | Highest | ....48 |
| 5 p.m. ....44 | Lowest | ....43 |

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m.........4 miles south.
Noon.........8 miles southeast.
5 p.m.........8 miles east.

Average state of weather—showery.

Rain—.14 inch.

Barometer at noon—Observed.....29.978
Corrected.....29.911

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p. m.—Corrected..29.98

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office, April 27 to May, 3, 1904.—Weather conditions have somewhat improved during the past week and the increase of bright sunshine and consequent higher temperatures have considerably advanced vegetation, which, however, is still later than usual in most sections. The rainfall has been very light in this vicinity and only moderate on the Lower Mainland; on the west coast of the Mainland at Port Simpson the precipitation was heavier, 1.42 inches being reported from that station; at Barkerville 2 inches of snow fell and frost occurred on every night during the week. In the Kootenays the weather has been dry and warmer, the temperature on the 27th reaching 78, and frost only on one day, the 30th. A considerable amount of rain fell throughout the North Pacific States. Barometric conditions have been about normal; the pressure has been chiefly highest on the Coast, with low pressure areas from the ocean passing over the upper portion of the province. These conditions have caused fresh to strong winds on the outside waters and along the districts of the Straits. In the Northwest the weather has been very moderate; during the first part of the week temperatures were high, but became lower towards the close. Precipitation was light and more is needed. Occasional thunderstorms occurred both in the Northwest and in the Pacific States. The warm weather of the early part of week kept the Fraser river high and brought down a considerable amount of the snow fall from the upper country, which will tend to lessen the danger of the approaching flood season.

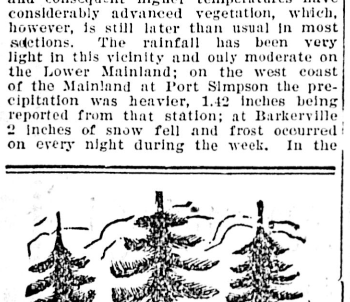
At Victoria 56 hours and 24 minutes of bright sunshine were registered; the highest temperature was 63.5, on the 29th; and the lowest 39.7, on the 30; rainfall 0.09 inch.

At New Westminster the highest temperature was 64, on the 27th and 1st; lowest 32, on the 30th; rainfall 0.38 inch.

At Kamloops the highest temperature was 78, on the 27th; lowest 32, on the 30th; precipitation 0.16 inch.

At Barkerville, highest temperature 68, on 27th; lowest 16, on 30th; precipitation 0.46 inhc.

At Port Simpson the highest temperature was 58, on the 1st; lowest 28, on he 29th; rainfall 1.42 inches.

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PRICE 25 CENTS.


## NOTICES IN THE OFFICIAL GAZETTE

### A Call of Forty Dollars Per Share On Members of Victoria Terminal Railway Co.

Following are notices appearing in this week's issue of the provincial Gazette:

James Critchley of Sidney, to be a justice of the peace.

Frederick Soues of Clinton, government agent, to be a recording officer for the Lillooet cattle district, vice Mr. C. Phair.

John E. Griffith of Golden, to be registrar of voters for the Columbia electoral district, vice Mr. C. E. Hamilton, resigned.

John Stewart of Ladysmith, to be a notary public.

Walter C. Clark of Kamloops, to be a notary public.

John Squire Shopland of Maywood, J.P., and James R. John of North Saanich, to be fence viewers for the North and South Saanich fence district.

A closed season for elk, in the county of Kootenay, for a period of three years from the 16th of May, 1904, is proclaimed.

The British Columbia Industrial and Colonization Company, Limited, has been incorporated as a limited Company, with a capital of ten thousand dollars, divided into one thousand shares of ten dollars each.

The Manitoba Lumber Company, Limited, has been incorporated as a limited company, with a capital of one hundred thousand dollars, divided into one hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Limited, Non-Personal Liability, has been incorporated with a capital of two million five hundred thousand dollars, divided into two million five hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

The Rothesay Lumber Company, Limited, has been incorporated as a limited company, with a capital of ten thousand dollars, divided into two hundred shares of fifty dollars each.

The E. K. Wood Lumber Company has been registered as an extra-provincial company under the Companies Act, 1897, to carry out or effect all or any of the objects of the company to which the legislative authority of the Legislature of British Columbia extends. The head office of the company is situate in the city and county of San Francisco, state of California. The amount of the capital of the company is five hundred thousand dollars, divided into five hundred thousand shares of one dollar each.

Tenders will be received up to noon of Monday, the 3rd May, 1904, for the erection and completion of a two-room frame school house at Michel, East Kootenay, B. C.

The first sitting of the annual Court of Revision of the municipality of the city of Nanaimo will be held on Tuesday, the 7th day of June, 1904, at 10 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of hearing complaints against the assessment as made by the assessor, and for revision and correcting the assessment roll.

On the petition of Edmund Bell and others, in conformity with the provisions of the Farmers' Institutes and Co-operation Act, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture authorizes the organization of a Farmers' Institute in the district of North Vancouver, and the first meeting, for the purpose of organization, shall be held on Monday, the 6th of June, 1904.

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council has been pleased to make and prescribe the following additional rule to the rules and regulations for the government of the provincial police force: The sergeant and chief constables desiring leave of absence shall apply in writing to the superintendent. Constables shall apply in writing to the chief constable of the district, who may grant leave of absence for a period not exceeding two weeks in any one year. No leave of absence for a period greater than two weeks in any one year will be granted, except by the superintendent with the authority of the Attorney-General.

Notice is given that the sittings of the Supreme Court as a Court of Assize and general jail delivery, fixed to be held at Clinton on May 25, 1904, is cancelled.

Notice is given that at a meeting of the directors of the Victoria Terminal Railway Company, held at Vancouver, B. C., on May 2, 1904, a call of $40 per share was made on all the members, and it was determined that such call should be paid on June 4, 1904, at the head office of the company, Cormorant street, Victoria, B. C.

Kelly, Douglas & Co. of Vancouver have entered action against the Western Condensed Milk Canning Company for $600 as damages for breach of warranty in respect of 76 cases of Standard cream sold to the former.

At the recent general meeting of the Le Roi No. 2, Ltd., Mr. Stanly Elmore, with the chairman's permission, stated to the meeting that the final tailings from the workings of the Elmore oil concentration plant at Le Roi No. 2 mine, in Rossland, British Columbia, assayed 3-4 dwt. of gold per ton, less than 1-4 oz. of silver per ton, and only 0.1 per centeo pper. —Rossland World.

There was a small real estate flurry in Poplar the past week. A number of persons staked lots on the opposite side of the river from Poplar. An application to purchase the land had been made some weeks ago, and the ground has also been pre-empted. Now a large portion of it has been staked in lots and buildings are being erected. How the government is going to decide as to the rightful owner it is difficult to form an opinion. If neither the application to purchase nor the pre-emption notice is accepted, it is probable the land will be platted and sold by auction.—Poplar Nugget.

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

SEALED TENDERS, endorsed "Tender for Schoolhouse," will be received by the undersigned up to noon of Monday, the 9th May, 1904, for the erection and completion of a one-room frame school-house at Lund, Comox District.

Plans, specifications, contract and form of tender may be seen on and after the 26th April, 1904, at the offices of the Provincial Timber Inspector, Vancouver, of F. Thulin, Esq., Secretary of the School Board, Lund, and at the Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C.

Tenders will not be considered unless made upon the printed forms supplied for the purpose, and the agreement to execute a bond appended to the form of tender is duly signed by the contractor himself and two responsible sureties, residents of the Province, in the penal sum of $250.00, for the faithful performance of the work.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands and Works.

Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 20th April, 1904.


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### NOTICE.

I shall not be responsible for any debts contracted without my written order. No payments to, or on account of, the estate of the late Joseph Tarlton, deceased, will be recognized unless made to myself or by my authority.

Dated this 5th day of May, A.D. 1904.
E. TARLTON STOREY,
of Duncans, V.I.

### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners at their next sitting as a Licensing Court, for a transfer of my license for the sale of wines and liquors by retail, upon the premises situate on the north side of Johnson street, in the City of Victoria, and known as the Strand Hotel, to Wm. H. Shewan.

GEO B. HOWARD.

Dated this 4th day of May, 1904.

### CERTIFICATE OF THE REGISTRATION OF AN EXTRA-PROVINCIAL COMPANY.

Companies Act, 1897.

I hereby certify that the Pacific Freighting Company has this day been registered as an Extra-Provincial Company under the Companies Act, 1897, to carry out or effect all or any of the objects hereinafter set forth to which the legislative authority of the legislature of British Columbia extends.

The head office of the company is situate in the city of Tacoma, State of Washington, U. S. A.

The amount of the capital of the company is one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, divided into fifteen hundred shares of one hundred dollars each.

The head office of the company in this province is situate in Victoria, and Robert William Dunsmuir, shipping merchant, whose address is Victoria, B. C., is the attorney for the company.

The time of the existence of the company is fifty years.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Victoria, province of British Columbia, this 6th day of April, one thousand nine hundred and four.

(L.S.) S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar of Joint Stock Companies.

The objects for which the company has been established are:

To construct, buy, hire or otherwise acquire scows, barges, tugs and all other kinds of watercraft, to be propelled by steam, sail or other motive power, and to equip, maintain and operate the same; and to sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise deal with and dispose of the same; and generally to engage in the business of towing and transportation by water.

To construct, buy and lease wharves, docks, bridges, levees and landing places, and to sell lease, mortgage and otherwise deal with and dispose of the same.

To buy, hold, own, deal with, mortgage and sell stock in other corporations;

To buy, acquire, hold, own, deal with, mortgage, lease, sell and dispose of real estate and personal property of all kinds, or any interest therein; and to engage in any species of trade, manufacture or business;

To procure said corporation to be registered or recognized so as to permit it to engage in business in the province of British Columbia and elsewhere out of the State of Washington.

And generally to do or perform all and every act and thing necessary, proper or convenient to the carrying out of the objects above set forth.


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Notice is hereby given that three months after date application will be made to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, by J. W. Mellor & Co., Limited, to change the name of the company to "The Melrose Co., Limited."

McPHILLIPS, WOOTTON & BARNARD,
Solicitors for the Company.
February 9th, 1904.

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the estate of James Tod, deceased.

Take notice that pursuant to the Trustees and Executors Act, all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the above named deceased, who died at Cedar Hill, Victoria district, B. C., on the 27th day of February, 1904, are requested to send by post or deliver to the executors, Robert Porter or George Sangster, at 98 Douglas street, city, or to the undersigned, on or before the 31st day of May, 1904, full particulars of their claims duly verified, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice that after such last mentioned date the said executors will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice, and that the said executors will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them at the time of such distribution.

And further take notice that all persons from whom moneys were due to the said James Tod on or before the said 27th day of February, 1904, are required to pay the same, if not already paid, to the said executors within the period above mentioned.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 19th day of April, 1904.

DRAKE, JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
20 Bastion street, Victoria, B. C., solicitors for the executors.

### NOTICE.

The Municipal Council of the corporation of the city of Victoria, having determined that it is desirable to have the work of constructing a permanent sidewalk on both sides of Yates street from Blanchard street to Cadboro Bay road, carried out under the provisions of the Local Improvement General By-law, and the City Engineer and City Assessor having reported to the Council, in accordance with the provisions of section 4 of the said by-law upon the said work of improvement, giving statement showing the amount chargeable in each case against the various portions of real property benefitted thereby, and said report having been adopted by the Council on the 25th instant, Notice Is Hereby Given that this report is open for inspection at the office of the City Assessor, City Hall, Douglas street.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

Victoria, B. C., City Clerk's office, April 26th, 1904.

### NOTICE.

Revised Statutes of Canada, 1886, Ch. 92.

Pursuant to the above statute of proposed construction of wharf in the harbor of Victoria, British Columbia.

The Municipal Council of the City of Victoria, British Columbia, hereby give notice pursuant to the requirements of Section 5 of the above statute that they have this day applied by petition to the Governor-in-Council for approval of the site, and of the plan of the wharf proposed to be constructed on and over the foreshore abutting on subdivided parts of lots 122 and 123, block B, in the city of Victoria, B. C., according to the offical map of the said city of Victoria, and on and over the foreshore abutting on the termination of Telegraph street and of Herald street immediately adjoining on either side of such sub-divided parts of lots. A plan and description of the proposed site and of the wharf to be constructed have been deposited with the Minister of Public Works at Ottawa and a duplicate thereof in the Land Registry Office at Victoria, B. C., this 22nd day of April, 1904.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
Clerk of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria, B.C.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within the tract of land bounded on the south by the southern boundary of Comox District, on the east by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 30th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E & N. Railway land grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY,
Land Commissioner.

### NOTICE OF SALE OF SLOOP.

Mechanics' Lien Act, R. S. B. C., 1897. Take notice that the undersigned being entitled to a lien upon the sloop "Volage," will on Thursday, 12th day of May, 1904, at the hour of 12 o'clock, noon, at the office of Hinkson Siddall, 14 Chancery Lane, Victoria, B. C., proceed to sell the said sloop as she now lies at Turpel's ways in the city of Victoria, B. C., and at that hour on the said date tenders will be received for the purchase of said sloop.

The name of the person indebted to me in respect to the said sloop is J. W. Gilbert, the owner thereof, and the amount of his indebtedness to me is $77.00.

The description of the said sloop is as follows: Sloop "Volage"—Length 40 ft., beam 10 ft., tonnage 8, rig yawl.

The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WILLIAM TURPEL.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 26th day of April, 1904.

### WANTED—MALE HELP.

WANTED—City agent for accident insurance company. Apply, with particulars, P. O. Box 162. m6

TEACHER WANTED—For Hornby Island Public School. Apply at once. Geo. Heatherbell, Hornby Island. a10

WANTED—Boy with some business experience to work in store. Address "C. X.," Colonist. m3

BUTTERMAKER WANTED—Experienced and with boiler certificate. Apply with testimonials to Salt Spring Island Creamery. Mrs. H. Manley, Secy. m1

WANTED—Boys at 74 Douglas street. a24

### WANTED—FEMALE HELP.

WANTED—Chocolate dipper and confectionery clerk. Palace of Sweets. a16

### SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

GENERAL SEAMSTRESS would like to get position in family; willing to do family sewing and assist in house and parlor work. Apply 116 Fort street. m5

YOUNG LADY requires position in office; good at figures and penmanship. "J.", this office. m5

### SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE.

WANTED—Situation as groom or coachman; understands the management of gentleman's stable; good rider and driver and otherwise useful; good references; married, no family; English. Apply "Coachman," Colonist office. m6

GENTLEMAN wants position as private secretary or traveling companion. Address "S.S.," Colonist office. m6

WANTED—By young man, with excellent references, and well acquainted with Victoria; situation in store, warehouse, assist in office or to solicit orders or travel. Address "W.," Colonist office. m4

WANTED—Reliable man as miner desires to go North under good company. Apply "Miner," this office. a21

### WANTED—PARTNER.

WANTED—Partner to start farming; Englishman preferred. Address "C.D.," this office. m6

### FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—South African land scrip; state price. Address "T. Z.," Colonist office. m6

STRAWBERRY PLANTS, $1.00 per 100; $5 per 1,000; cabbage plants, early hardy, 50c. per 100; 80c. per 200; $1.00 per 300; $2.50 per 1,000. A few nice white broom left at 50c. each. Also beautiful dahlias at $2.00 per doz. Mount Tolmie Nursery.

### POULTRY AND LIVESTOCK.

FOR SALE—One dozen laying hens, first-class birds. 247 Yates street. m6

WANTED—A span of horses, weighing between 1,400 and 1,500 lbs., from 6 to 8 years old; broken to double harness. Apply to P. O. Box 366. State price.

EGGS FOR HATCHING—Buff Orpingtons, $2.00; special mating, $3.00; White Wyandottes, $2.00; Black Langshans, $1.50; Brown Leghorns, $1.50 per setting. Leave orders at W. A. Jameson's, 71 Fort street. Nothing sent C.O.D. Quick Bros., P.O. Box 187, Victoria, B. C. a14

FOR SALE—Family cow and calf and 2 young heifers. J. Court, Victoria, P.O.

REGISTERED Short Horn Bull for sale; 5 years old. Apply E. Thick, Wellington, B. C. m4

FOR SALE—Durham bull, 3½ years old, price $50. Apply W. Michell, South Saanich. m3

FOR SALE—Spaniel puppies; thoroughbred; very handsome. Major MacFarlane, Cobble Hill. a9

FOR SALE—Eggs from prize birds. White Leghorns, from best English imported eggs. Black Leghorns, prize winners in Toronto. Eggs $1.00 and 50c, per setting. J. E. C. Holmes, Chemainus. a8

FOR SALE—S. C. White Leghorns, "Queen Anne" strain. Bred exclusively for heavy laying. H. P. Johnson, Victoria, B. C.

FOR SALE—Pure White Leghorn hens, cheap. Must be sold before the first of April. Inquire at 15 St. Louis St. m25

FOR SALE—Canaries. Fine singers. Mrs. Lange, 84½ Douglas street. Upstairs.

FOR SALE—Good family cow, Jersey; also express wagon, light cart and set of harness. Apply Mrs. Bond, corner Cadboro Bay avenue and Foul Bay road. a12

### MISCELLANEOUS.

BEACON HILL—Two large lots (one a corner), commanding a beautiful view of the Straits, for sale cheap. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m11

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### LOST AND FOUND.

STRAYED—From No. 93 Cook street, a part Jersey cow. Finder please telephone No. 1,029. a29

### WANTED—ROOM AND BOARD.

GENTLEMAN wants room and full or partial board, close to Fort street car, within 15 minutes' walk of post office. Address "S. C.," Colonist office. m5

### TO LEASE—RESIDENCES.

TO LEASE—New house, corner Esquimalt road and Head street. Apply Victoria West Coal & Wood Office. m6

### TO RENT—RESIDENCES.

TO LET—Cottage, 255 Yates street, from 1st April. Apply 247 Yates street. m6

TO LET—A well furnished house, in central locality. "R. E.," this office. m5

### DRESSMAKING.

DRESSMAKING—Fashionable dressmaking parlors, charges moderate. 67 Kane street. m3

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### WANTED TO RENT.

WANTED—A small furnished house or cottage. Address giving full particulars to A. J. C., this office. a28

WANTED—Furnished house. Will rent for a year or longer. Address "L." this office. a23

WANTED—Small furnished house with modern conveniences for three adults, close to town. Address P. O. Box 59.

### FOR SALE—MACHINERY.

FOR SALE—Machinery for sawmill; capacity 10,000 per day. Apply Leigh Bros.' sawmill. a16

### ACCORDEON PLEATING

ACCORDION PLEATING done on short notice at 8 Gordon street. m1

### EMPLOYMENT BUREAU.

EMPLOYMENT OFFICE—Established since 1894. Wanted reliable servants for good situations. 54 Fort street. a28

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### FOR SALE—RESIDENCES.

FOR SALE—Cheap; small furnished cottage; lot 60x130; fruit trees, chicken houses and stable. No. 1½ David street. m6

$1,850—Six-roomed cottage on Harrison street, and nice lot. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m3

FOR SALE—Snap if sold soon, house and two lots on Menzies street, near Dallas road. Apply 80 Yates street. a30

FOR SALE—Good two-storey house and one acre of land; fine orchard, outbuildings near car line. For particulars address "A. D.," Colonist. a7

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### FOR SALE—PROPERTY.

FOR SALE—Large lot on car line, James Bay (near Beacon Hill), cheap, and on easy terms if necessary. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. a7

FOR SALE—$250 will buy a whole island in Chemainus District. 24½ acres with small buildings. Apply B. C. Land and Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. m17

### FARMS TO RENT.

FARM TO LET—In North Saanich. 100 acres; good house and barn; immediate entry. Apply (personally, if possible), to Mrs. Copeland, North Saanich, near Sidney. m6

### FOR SALE—FARM LANDS.

FOR SALE—A first-class farm, 160 acres, divided if wanted; good house and outbuildings; two creeks cross the farm; a well of water; all kinds of fruit trees; a market boat daily; 20 minutes to boat landing or cars; every convenience; for rent or sale; prices moderate. Write for particulars to 2 Jackson street, Victoria, B. C., Highland. a23

FOR SALE—$3,500—180 acres, three miles from Duncans, 45 acres improved, good land, small house, barn, etc, live stock and implements. J. H. Whittome, real estate agent, Duncans. a23

FOR SALE—Seven acres, partly cleared, four miles from city. Cheap. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government. a 12

FOR SALE—$1800—50 acres, 16 cultivated, 18 slashed, burnt and seeded, small house, barns, etc., live stock, farming implements, etc., etc., close to a good market. A money maker and a bargain. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street. a7

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TO LET—Furnished housekeeping rooms, en suite, Elsmere House, 104 Pandora street. Apply 97 Quadra. a17

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## That Russian Beef Shipment

### Much Interest in Fate of Consignment Aboard Empress of China.

### Toyo Kisen Kaisha Discovers That War Time Business is Not Good.

Speculation is rife in shipping circles as to the ultimate fate of that 500 tons of American preserved beef which went out on the Empress of China last Monday, consigned to a well-known firm in Shanghai, to be forwarded, it is understood, to the headquarters of the Russian army in Manchuria or Southern Siberia.

Some hold that beef is contraband of war, and that Japan being a belligerent will be entitled to intercept the beef when the Empress reaches Yokohama. Others as stoutly maintain that beef is not contraband, and that the Japanese dare not molest a British vessel bound from a neutral to a neutral port.

There is no dispute, however, over the point that the Japanese authorities by this time know all about that beef, if they did not know about its purchase by Russian agents in Chicago and Kansas City almost as soon as the agents themselves.

What the Japanese authorities will do in any sort of case is something is clean beyond the European or American comprehension, as the brilliant assemblage of war correspondents in Tokio are now ready to admit.

At all events it is certain that they have all the necessary arrangements made for that beef—they may let it go through to Shanghai, or they may not; what they will do is known only to the Imperial Japanese executive council. The arrival of the Empress of China at Yokohama is awaited with no little curiosity and a good deal of anxiety.

The developments of the past few days would seem to have enormously increased the difficulty of the task of getting that consignment of beef up country from Shanghai, supposing that the Japanese do not intercept the stuff at one of their ports at which the Empress will call. Russian initiative in Northeastern Manchuria seems to have been paralyzed by the awful disaster to Russian arms on Sunday, so that the job of transporting such a quantity of supplies through North China, with Japanese spies swarming everywhere, seems almost an impossibility.

### A FALSE ALARM.

Skagwayans Feared City of Seattle Was Going off Route.

Vancouver Ledger says: It was a woe-begone crew from captain to cabin boy which reached port on the City of Seattle from the north yesterday afternoon. They had been taking leave of all their old friends at every port from Skagway to Vancouver. When the City of Seattle reached the northern port the daily papers there had been featuring a special despatch from Seattle that the popular steamer was to be taken off the northern run and placed on the route between Vancouver and Seattle.

All the Alaskan papers had the news and everyone was expressing regret at breaking up the very pleasant relationships which have existed with the officers and men of the City of Seattle which has been so popular that the regrets that were expressed were sincere.

As she left port en route south, the people turned out to bid farewell to the steamer and crew. Much to the relief of everyone when she reached port yesterday it was news she brought. No one here had heard of it. The only contingency, which might arise, is when the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, gets new steamers for the northern run. Until then the old stand-by is likely to remain on the Skagway route.

### NO FUNKING ALLOWED.

The naval authorities at Portsmouth have taken severe measures to check the spread of nervousness among the crews of the submarines. According to the Express, soon after the A1 disaster, two men engaged on board submarines became nervous and asked to be allowed to return to ordinary duty. They were immediately sent for medical examination, the result of which was that they were reported unfit for further service and were discharged. The commander-in-chief at Portsmouth apparently anticipated some difficulty of this kind, for directly after the disaster an order was issued that the manoeuvres should continue, and on the following Monday two submarines went out to Spithead and cruised about awash at full speed. When the submarine flotilla first went to Portsmouth, volunteers were asked to man it. So ready was the response that there was no difficulty in selecting 120 men required for the service. Each man, before he was selected, was submitted to a searching examination.

### A SWIFT SAILER.

The first 1904 grain ship from Portland, Ore., arrived at Falmouth Saturday, after a fast passage of 116 days. The leader of the fleet was the German bark Christel and her passage has been beaten by but one other vessel this season, the French bark Europe arriving out a few days ago, after a passage of 113 days. This latest passage of the Christel shows her to be an exceptionally fast ship, for on her last previous trip from Portland she made the run in 115 days and has never made a slow passage. These passages, of course, do not show up so well in comparion with the Muskoka's regulation trip under 110 days, but ships that make the voyage under 120 days for two trips in succession are few in number.

### N. Y. K. TO RESUME.

Steamers No Longer Needed for Transporting Japanese Troops.

The Seattle agent for the Nippon Yusen Kaisha has received a cable from Yokohama saying that the line will resume its trans-Pacific steamer service to Seattle the last week in May. This service was abandoned at the breaking out of the war, most of the company's ships being taken by the Japanese government for transportation. The company has now filled its fleet with European vessels. This is taken to be significant as indicating that the Japanese need for transports to carry troops to Korea and Manchuria is now at an end.

### LOCOMOTIVES BY TREMONT.

Although the seven railway engines and other railway material being loaded aboard the steamer Tremont at Tacoma are billed for a Japanese port, there is a strong possibility that the material is really destined for the new railway being built by the Japanese government in Korea. The engines and railway material are being loaded on the steamer today. The work is very tedious, for all of the material is heavy. The boilers weigh twenty tons each. At Kobe the machinery will have to be discharged on scows, and the steamship officers say they have never seen a scow at Kobe strong enough to hold one of those boilers. The scows there are big, flat-bottomed boats with no decking.

### LAST OF INDRA LINE.

When the Portland & Asiatic liner Indrasamha left at noon for the Orient Wednesday morning, Portlanders saw the last of the popular Indra fleet that has been so well known in the Columbia for several years past. The Indrasamha is the last of the three whose charter will expire, and when she discharges her cargo at Hong Kong, she will pass out of the hands of the Portland company. The first of the Hamburg-American steamers—that take the place of the Indras—to arrive will be the Nicomedia, which is now on the way from Hong Kong to Portland.

### MARINE NOTES

Captain Peter Ott, for many years bar pilot at San Francisco, died Saturday morning at his residence in that city.

Grave fears are entertained in Tacoma for the safety of the little fishing schooner Ella G., of the International Fisheries Company's fleet, now twenty-nine days out from Tacoma on a fishing cruise. Bound for the halibut banks off Cape Flattery, the Ella G., in command of Captain John Hickey, and carrying a crew of five men, left Tacoma April 5th. Since that day she has not been heard from.

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## Soldiers' and Sailors' Home

### Yesterday Afternoon His Honor the Lieut. Governor Declared Home Open.

### A Brilliant Gathering With Speeches By Premier, Mayor and H. M. Officers.

The Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Esquimalt was formally opened yesterday afternoon by His Honor the Lieut.-Governor before a large and enthusiastic audience, which, in spite of the wet, inclement weather, gathered in the concert hall of the splendid building erected for the use of the men of H. M. land and sea forces.

In his remarks, when formally declaring the institution open, His Honor said he considered it a very great honor to be called on to perform such a duty. He said: "How we followed the actions of our soldiers and sailors thousands of miles away; how we rejoice in their victories and sorrow over their losses. And now," His Honor continued, "when so near us, in our midst, in fact, how do we feel? Do we feel them nearer than when they are thousands of miles away? If so, we should, now that we have the opportunity, assist the gentlemen who have been the means of building up this home. It is our duty to welcome the men of the service, make them happy.' His Honor concluded by hoping that all would respond most liberally to the call for funds to open the institution free of debt.

Mrs. J. D. Helmcken followed with a vocal solo, rendered as this charming singer only can.

Rev. J. P. Hicks, the Wesleyan chaplain of the fleet, and to whose untiring efforts the home owes its existence, outlined the aims and objects of the institution and its history.

He referred most feelingly to the late Mr. Bailey, whose untimely death last summer, he said, made a gap in the ranks of the home's most faithful workers hard to fill.

He said he was deeply grateful to the gentlemen who had come yesterday afternoon, especially to His Honor, the commodore and Colonel English, as by the presence and help of the latter he knew the work is being recognized. He told of his visit to England for funds, which visit realized $2,000, and which amount, added to locally, by some most liberally, had enabled the committee so far, to go along free of debt. Eight thousand dollars had been so far spent. He referred to the recently completed wing and asked for the $1,200 necessary to open clear of all indebtedness.

Commodore Goodrich, officer commanding His Majesty's fleet, also spoke of the pleasure it gave him to be present, and said that the thanks of the officers of the ships were due Mr. Hicks and his committee for all the trouble and labor they had gone to in building up the institution. The thanks of all were also due to all those who had subscribed towards its erection. The commodore then spoke most kindly of Victoria and its homes, and comparing them with those of England.

Some very sensible remarks followed regarding the lack of a place for Jack to go "as a matter of right," and he said the home opened by His Honor was just the right sort of a place. The men did not feel they had to spend money to buy drinks in order to be there. The matter of the bedrooms was also a great convenience, providing as they do, clean beds for the men to sleep in who do not care to go boating to join their ships late at night.

The moral effect of the home, he said, would not be so apparent perhaps, and would be probably confined to a limited number. But it would be all for good and might go on increasing until Mr. Hicks would not be able to find any fault with any of them.

Colonel English, R. E., followed, and briefly stated the deep appreciation he and his brother officers felt at the efforts being made for the men of the garrison.

Miss Queenie McCoy delighted the audience with two splendidly rendered songs, the latter a lullaby, being most tastefully sung.

The Hon. the Premier said it was more than a privilege to take part in the opening of the home, and referred to His Honor's remarks about attending to the men of the service while they were on the station. He believed this was the first institution of its kind in British Columbia, and it was fitting that it should be operated at Esquimalt, the station of the North Pacific fleet. He paid a high compliment to Mr. Hicks and his committee, and remarked that to raise so much money was an arduous task and all honor to them for so successfully carrying out the work.

Speaking for the government, he said that though perhaps the grant had not been so great as perhaps the committee would have liked to see it, it showed the interest of the people of British Columbia on the part of their executive.

Mr. Hicks explained that the government has made a grant of $1,000.

Mayor Barnard also added his congratulations, and said he also knew of the difficulty in raising funds. He was much pleased to hear from the officers of the friendly feeling for Victoria.

The home was a step in the right direction, and would make this end of Vancouver island as attractive as possible to the men, and he thought that Mr. Hicks and his committee were entitled to the best thanks of all citizens.

Mr. Hicks explained that in the deed of trust, that though the Wesleyan denomination had control of the home, it was conducted on entirely non-sectarian lines. There was no discrimination whatever. He said that they hoped in the near future to do away with holding Sunday service in the hall, as it was intended to build a chapel on the grounds, but independent of the home.

Treasurer L. Tait read the financial statement, which showed that the committee had $131.46 in hand to meet the $1,200 owing.

A collection was taken up, and after singing the National Anthem, the meeting dispersed.

High tea was served from 5 o'clock on, and in the evening Mr. H. Dallas Helmcken, K. C., took the chair at the concert. The following programme was rendered:

Violin Solo ..... Mr. Jesse Longfield
Song ..... Mr. J. G. Brown
Recitation ..... Mrs. Gleason
Violin Solo ..... Mr. Jesse Longfield
Duet ..... Messrs. York Brothers
Fancy Drill .... Class of Young Ladies
Instrumental Duet .....
..... Mrs. Monk and Miss Jordan
Recitation ..... Mrs. Gleason

### N. Y. K. DIVIDENDS.

The Kobe Chronicle of April 12th, just to hand, says:

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha is expected to pay the usual dividend during the half year just closed. The company in the first four months of the period, October, November, December and January, was unaffected by the political situation, but during February and March the discontinuing of services and the chartering of vessels has interfered somewhat with profit-earning, though it is expected that the usual 10 per cent. will be paid. The shareholders do not expect so much of the present half year.

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## Career of Late Senator Reid

### Led Life of Hardy Pioneer in the Early Days of the Province.

### Worked as a Miner in Cariboo and Gradually Worked Way to Success.

The late Senator Reid, of Cariboo, who died at Vancouver on Tuesday, had an interesting career. He was born in the Township of Hull, Ottawa county, in the Province of Quebec, August 2, 1839. He was one of a family of thirteen children, his father and mother having emigrated to Canada from the North of Ireland early in their married life. Senator Reid was educated in the common schools of the township, and also in Bytown, then an insignificant village, now the City of Ottawa, capital of the Dominion.

At the age of 16 he was a clerk in the store of Messrs. James Maclaren & Co., at La Peche, on the Gatineau river. In this store young Reid gained a knowledge of mercantile affairs and methods, which stood him in good stead in the active and varied life he was destined to lead. He reached man's estate possessed a fine physique, a clear head and a stout heart, and to these were added a fair education and an excellent capacity for business. This was all the capital he had when tales of splendid fortunes to be made in British Columbia, lured him and a party of companions to try their luck on the Pacific Coast. The journey, via New York and Aspinwall, across the Isthmus of Panama and up the coast, was long and arduous, but it has been described many times. Reaching the scene of expected wealth, Mr. Reid began operations as a miner. This was in the year 1862, in the early days of the Province, when railroads were hardly thought of, and roads of any kind were but few. Mr. Reid joined in the rush of people who sought fortune in the placer mines of the Cariboo district. When he and his friends arrived, the life of the miner, so far as Indians were concerned, was comparatively safe, but Indians were not the only people whom peaceably disposed people had to fear. The Indians killed for vengeance, but others killed for gain, and every man lived ready to defend self and property against attack from any quarter. Placer mining was the hardest kind of work, and in the case of many who followed it, its promises were far better than its results. Among those who found their hopes of wealth by this road illusory was Mr. Reid, and after six of the best years of his life, spent among danger and hard work, he made up his mind that his luck must be in some other direction. He went back to the business he had learned in the far-away Canada of those times, and engaged as a clerk in the store of Mr. F. W. Foster of Lillooet, and later of Clinton. After a year in this establishment, he accepted an offer from Barnard's Express, onw known as the B. C. Express Co., to engage as one of the messengers of that concern. Barnard's Express at that time was ahead of any government agency in affording a means of communication between the scattered settlements throughout the vast territory of British Columbia, and Mr. Reid's business was to convey gold dust collected by the banks from the miners and entrusted to Barnard's Express for export. Mr. Reid had in his charge at different times gold representing in value from $120,000 to $250,000, and in suite of the great danger of robbery, always carried it safely through. Having proved his trustworthiness, he was appointed agent of the express at Quesnell, on his determination to retire from the road and open a general store in that town. Here, his business grew rapidly into importance, covering a vast territory, extending as far as the Peace river country. Not only did he import goods to an immense aggregate sum but he also dealt in furs as a rival of the great Hudson's Bay Company.

Though prospering in mercantile business, the late Senator never lost his interest in mining. He was a shareholder in the Spruce mine of romantic history, and was president of the Quesnell Quartz Mining Company, on Hixon creek. He had also many other mining interests.

Besides these enterprises he was a heavy shareholder in the Cariboo roller mills, saw and shingle mills, situated at Quesnell, and had also interests in many industrial concerns in Vancouver, in which city he had always great faith. He was one of the original shareholders of the Gurney Cab Company, now the Vancouver Transfer Company, and he was also interested in the B. C. Iron Works. The senator had large real estate holdings in Vancouver, and was abongst those who gave bonuses in the form of land grants to induce the C. P. R. to build westward from Port Moody to the present terminus—Vancouver. That his faith in Vancouver remained to the last was shown by the erection of the handsome assembly hall block on Pender street last fall.

Senator Reid's political career was not an exciting one, but was both honorable and useful. He was elected, after a hard fight, by a majority of 80 over four competitors to succeed Mr. Thompson, M. P., for Cariboo, on his death in 1881. After holding his seat for a year Mr. Reid again went before his constituents and was elected by acclamation, and was once more successful in 1887. He was one of the leaders in the movement for the freeing from import duties of mining machinery, which has been of incalculable benefit to the province. He gave the Conservative party an independent support, mainly because of its national policy, and because of its enterprise in constructing the C. P. R.

On Senator Nelson being appointed Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Mr. Reid was called (October 8, 1888) to fill the vacancy thus created in the upper house. Mr. Reid was married in 1883 to Charlotta, daughter of Mr. Nicholas Clarke of Manotic, who with two sons, Messrs. Max and Samson Reid, survive him. In religion the late senator was a Presbyterian.


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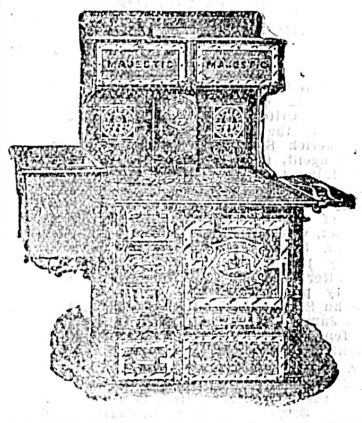


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